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BIRTH.

CASEY—December 19, 1937, at the Nursing Home, 6 Sycamore Crescent, Mount Merrion Park, to Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Casey, 8 Sycamore Crescent, a daughter.

DEATHS.

COOPER—December 26, 1937, at his residence, Shanderry House, Coolrain, Leix, Joseph Sloane Cooper, beloved husband of Dinah Cooper. Deeply and deservedly regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. "Thy will be done." Funeral arrangements later.

CRAIG—December 25, 1937, at a Private Hospital in Dublin, Miss Wilhelmina D. M. Craig, elder daughter of the late Rev. William Craig, of Londonderry.

DARLING—December 24, 1937, suddenly, at Bangor, Mabel Edith, wife of William D. Darling, Leoville, Dalkey, County Dublin, and daughter of the late Major T. Bunbury Eames. "And they shall see His face." Funeral (strictly private) to-day (Monday) at Dean's Grange, Dublin. English papers please copy.

HALLIGAN—December 24, 1937, at his residence, Skryne, Tara, County Meath, Thomas Halligan. Deeply and deservedly regretted by his sorrowing family. R.I.P. Infant Jesus, have mercy on him. Funeral took place yesterday (Sunday) at 2 o'clock from Skryne Church to family burial ground, Rathfeigh.

LEWIS—December 24, 1937, at Children's Ho-pital, Temple street, Paul, darling infant son of Robert W. and Frances Lewis (nee Connolly), of Wilfield road, Ballsbridge (of bronchial pneumonia). "Suffer the little children to come unto Me." Funeral (private), Mount Jerome, 10.30 a.m. this day.

LONG—December 24, 1937, at Belmount, Carlow, Mary Frances, daughter of the late William Long, Athy. Funeral to-day (Monday), 12 o'clock, to St John's, Athy.

McKEGNEY—December 24, 1937, at St. John's Rectory, Sarnia, Ontario, the Rev. Edgar Watt McKegney, M.A., T.C.D., formerly Rector of Pettigo.

McMULLEN—December 26, 1937, Andrew McMullen, aged 64, for 35 years Head Attendant at Hampstead, Glasnevin. Funeral to St. Mobhi's Church, Glasnevin, 12 noon, Wednesday.

MELLOR—December 25, 1937, at his residence, Claremont, Norwood avenue, Southport, Harry Edward Mellor, late of Nurgo, County Down.

MULHOLLAND—December 25, 1937, at his residence, 1 Melville terrace, Bellvue Park, Cork, Thomas Francis Mulholland, ex-Postmaster, Tipperary. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. R.I.P. Interment took place yesterday (Sunday), December 26th, 1937.

MURPHY—December 25, 1937, at Belmullet, Julia Stack Murphy, widow of the late John T. Murphy, Erris Hotel, Belmullet, aged 100 years. R.I.P. Funeral took place on 26th to Carne Cemetery.

O'SULLIVAN—December 23, 1937, at Private Nursing Home, Patrick J. O'Sullivan, late District Superintendent, G.S. Railways, Kingsbridge. Deeply regretted by his brothers and sisters. R.I.P. Funeral (private) this (Monday) morning, after 9 o'clock Mass in the Jesuit Church, Gardiner street.

RECORD—December 6, 1937, at Egerton Nursing Home, Fallowfield, beloved wife of John Record, M.I.E.E., and eldest daughter of the late Charles Stennett Redmond, M.D., Popefield, Athy. May she rest in peace.

ROYCROFT—December 24, 1937, at Royal City of Dublin Hospital, William Stamford Roycroft. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife and family. Funeral private

SANDYS—December 26, 1937, at the residence of her daughter, Cavetown, Boyle, Margaret, widow of the late James Sandys, Durham Lodge, Roscommon, aged 90 years. Solemn Requiem Mass at Derrane Church to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, 28th inst., 11 o'clock. Funeral private.

SUTHERLAND—December 24, 1937, at Cross avenue, Dun Laoghaire, Helen, widow of the late W. B. Sutherland. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral from above address this (Monday) morning at 11.30 o'clock to Dean's Grange.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 6.

IN MEMORIAM.

DOHERTY—To the beloved memory of my dear husband and our dear father, James Doherty, called Home on 27th December, 1920.
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WILL—In loving memory of my dear wife and mother, Jeannie Findlay, who died at 56 West road, Dublin Ireland, on 24th December, 1929. Sadly missed.
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An experimental process has also shown that young pumpkin plants when all the other conditions remained the same and with the same admixture of nutritive salts, showed a far more vigorous growth in thermal than in distilled water. The recognition of this fact, which clearly proves the effect of the water, is to be confirmed by further tests and then exploited practically.

Experiments have also been made which are to aid the study of the rock formation, the air, the baths and the springs of the place, as regards the degree of their emanation.

Special attention is drawn to the manner in which a close contact is maintained between the research institute and the visitors. In addition to conducted tours through the institute, lectures are given which are easy to understand for the generality, and which are supplemented by debating evenings, which are of great advantage not only to the visitors, but also to the Board of the research institute, as, from the descriptions of the visitors, they often find valuable points for new investigations.

These evenings are, at the same time, the social climax of the Gastein season, as they present the aspect of festive gatherings.

IMMIGRATION'S FLOWING TIDE

Returns just issued by the Statistical Office show that during last October the number of immigrants admitted to Southern Rhodesia was the highest recorded since March, 1930, before the economic slump which almost dried up the flow of migrants to all the Dominions and Colonies.

The total settlers entering Southern Rhodesia in October was 336, of which 124 were British-born, 177 from other parts of the Empire, 32 foreign Europeans, and three coloured persons.

SAVING THE SOIL

The lesson of the man-made deserts of the Middle West of the United States and elsewhere have not been lost on Southern Rhodesia. The menace of soil erosion and over-stocking is being faced. A recent world-wide survey mentioned Southern Rhodesia as one of three countries where active and effective measures were being initiated to combat the evil. During the last ten months a thousand miles of contour ridges have been constructed by technical officers of the Agricultural Department, to demonstrate methods of soil conservation, in 17 districts of the colony. Mechanical "ditchers" have also been lent free of charge to farmers' associations for the construction of contour ridges.

"SPRING" CLEANING IN WINTER

TEN LINERS UNDERGO REFITTING

A record number of great ocean liners are at present at Southampton undergoing painting and refitting. At one period early in December no fewer than ten British liners, with an aggregate gross tonnage of 325,000 tons, were laid up at the port. The periods of refitting, some of which began at the end of September and early in October, vary from three to twelve weeks, and a total of at least 100 tons of paint will be used on the redecoration of the ten ships.

"This is the 'spring' cleaning time for ocean liners," said an official of a shipping company recently. "Many of the liners which take passengers for cruises in the Mediterranean are laid up for renovation during November, as the weather during this month cannot be relied upon so much as in the rest of the year. This provides an opportunity to give the ships a thorough painting in dock, although the ships are always being painted at sea. Ships are almost kept afloat by paint, for tons of it is used to preserve them on every trip, as well as when they are in dock for their annual overhaul."

The liners include the Queen Mary (81,235 tons), the Berengaria (52,100 tons), the Aquitania (45,647 tons), the Empress of Britain (42,350 tons), the Empress of Australia (21,833 tons), the Duchess of Richmond (20,123 tons), the Montcalm (16,400 tons), the Atlantis (15,135 tons), the Vandyck (13,250 tons), and the Arandora Star (16,000 tons).

Thousands of workmen, including joiners, cabinet-makers, painters, upholsterers, polishers, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, caulkers, and shipwrights, are employed in decorating and renovating the interiors and repainting the exteriors of the ships.

Seven of the ten liners will be at sea on Christmas Day. Thousands of turkeys, pheasants, geese, and ducks; hundreds of calves, oxen, lambs, pigs, and sheep, and many thousands of carnival hats, novelties, and bottles of beer and wine will be loaded on the liners for the Christmas celebrations at sea. The Berengaria and the Aquitania will take on board no fewer than 2,200 head of home-fed turkeys, geese, ducks, partridges, grouse, and pigeons; 6,500 bottles of beer and mineral waters, 6,000 bottles of wine, spirits, liqueurs, and huge quantities of other supplies, varying from 100lb. of caviare and 300 tons of potatoes to two tons of ingredients for Christmas puddings for the Christmas voyages.

MINING LABOUR IN NORTHERN RHODESIA

The four principal copper mines of Northern Rhodesia have recognised the Northern Rhodesian Mine Workers' Union. In an agreement of twenty-two clauses, the companies express their willingness to meet the representatives of the union from time to time to discuss the betterment of workers' conditions. Whenever it is found impossible to arrive at a settlement of any matter of general principle, the question is to be submitted to a conciliation board. All parties agree not to countenance a strike or lock-out until the dispute has been referred to arbitration, but the companies will not be obliged to discuss with the union the fixing of individual contracts. For the next two years, the "open shop" principle will prevail. A two-thirds majority of all the members will be necessary to authorise a strike, for which the ballot must be secret. The copper companies concerned are N'Changa Consolidated, Rhokana Corporation, Roan Antelope Mines, and Mufulira Mines.

THE ZOO'S NEW BABY

Jacqueline, the Zoo's latest baby chimpanzee, who has been deserted by her mother, Fifi, has now been installed in an electrically heated cradle, which maintains an average temperature of 85 degrees. She is being bottle fed by her keeper, and has gained several ounces since her birth, three weeks ago.

MOTOR NOTES

RELIABILITY CHAMPIONSHIP

The Final Table : Knock's First Success Since 1933 : Riders who Deserve Credit : The Ulster Club Meeting

BY HAROLD C. BROWN

KNOCK have won the Inter-Club Reliability Championship of the Motor Cycle Union of Ireland; Leinster No. 2 have won the second division. In this page the final placings in the individual table are published.

The contest has been the most exciting in the history of the championship. Never have teams been so narrowly beaten as were Leinster, and Dublin and District this year. In the team events the positions ended as under:—

First Division.

1, Knock	4+ 7+ 8	= 19
2, Leinster	5+ 6+ 9	= 20
2, Dublin and District	2+ 3+15	= 20
4, Dublin University	1+11+14	= 26
5, Ulster	10+18+19	= 47

Second Division.

1, Leinster No. 2	1+ 3+ 4	= 8
2, Knock No. 2	2+ 8+ 9	= 19
3, Dublin and Dist. No. 2	6+12+13	= 31
4, Belfast and District	4+14+16	= 34

This is Knock's first success since 1933. They were the champion team in 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933. Since then Dublin and District had enjoyed a monopoly of the championship, winning it in 1934, 1935 and 1936.

The Second Division was created in 1932, when it was won by Dublin University. Knock No. 2 team won in 1933, Dublin and District No. 2 in 1934, and Leinster No. 2 in 1935, 1936 and 1937.

The 1930 championship was not officially an M.C.U.I. competition, but it was, of course, recognised by the clubs.

Leading Rider

THE leading rider of the year is A. H. L. Archer, whose percentage of success in his seven best trials was 94.28. In the nine trials in which he took part, however, his percentage was 88.88, the same as that of C. H. W. Manders last year. This year Archer won eight first-class awards and five premiers, as compared with Manders's nine first-class awards and four premiers, in each case out of a total of nine trials.

The best percentages of each year since the compilation of the Competition Record commenced in 1928 have been:—

1928—F. B. Holmes	91.52 per cent.
1929—J. J. Beggan	82.85 "
1930—S. Woods	94.28 "
1931—S. Woods	85.45 "
1932—S. Woods	88.00 "
1933—J. G. Burney	88.57 "
1934—J. C. Millard	77.77 "
1935—R. G. Leask	81.81 "
1936—C. H. W. Manders	88.88 "
1937—A. H. L. Archer	88.88 "

During the years the nature of the majority of trials and the conditions of the competition have changed considerably, so that comparisons between the riders named above is not possible. Each of them, however, was the most consistently successful trials rider of his year, or years.

It is odd that only Dublin riders appear in the list. Surely, one would think, the three riders who have represented Knock since 1930—C. W. Duffin, T. Stewart and H. McKee—have provided the best rider of at least one year, if not of three. No riders have been so consistent over ten years as the Knock trio, but, strangely enough, none of them has been the best man of any one year.

Good Men

MANDERS, Archer and Gibson have been rather outstanding this year, each with seven first-class awards in his seven best trials. I think, however, that the fellows deserving of greatest praise are those who keep on riding when no success comes to them. They have team-spirit, and they have courage.

The men who have ridden in five, six, seven and eight trials without winning a first-class award are deserving of every encouragement by their clubs.

Long ago it used be considered a creditable piece of work to win a first-class award. We usually called them "golds" in those days. Then so many easy trials were run that a first-class award slumped in value. To-day it is again a really first-class award, so difficult to win that the rider who has even one to his credit may justifiably feel proud, and the rider who has failed to win one has nothing of which to be ashamed.

Secretaries and chairmen of clubs, who already are recruiting teams for 1938, should pay attention to riders who have been steady trials supporters this year, even if their success has not been greater. Better a keen youngster who picks up a finisher's marks fairly regularly than an ex-star who rides only once or twice.

Rumours

THERE was nothing unhealthy about the annual meeting of the Ulster Motor Cycle Club, and I am glad that many of the rumours which we have heard in Dublin about the club were gross exaggerations. Probably the worst thing revealed at the meeting was that the committee did not meet for two months after the Ulster Grand Prix, but then it must not be forgotten that Captain Frank Williamson, the secretary, was a sick man at the time of the Grand Prix, and a man who is just out of hospital cannot be enthusiastic about committee meetings.

The financial position of the club is not good. For that the year 1936 must be blamed. This year the loss was only £2; last year it was £263. The Ulster was the first of our clubs to start to do things in a big way. It always has been fond of rather royal methods, and in some cases, such as the Ulster Grand Prix, that has been justified. Now that we are in the lean years there must be a change. In 1938 the Ulster Club must make money, not lose it.

I might point the example of the Leinster Club. A year ago it had an overdraft. Now it has a substantial sum to its credit and at the same time has been able to write down the value of its assets very considerably. To the Treasurer of the Leinster, Mr. J. Toohey, a great deal of the credit seems due, and it was most unfair for his own directors to criticise his financial policy at the Leinster annual meeting.

My acquaintance with the finances of motor and motor cycle sport is extensive and peculiar, and I feel that the conservative policy of Mr. Toohey is the ideal one.

By writing down the value of your stock in the good years, by treating certain capital expenditure as current expenditure, you are making your position strong should lean years follow. There is no guarantee of the future of racing, so that grandstands and enclosures should be depreciated quickly.

Lucid Accounts

THIS praise of Mr. Toohey is not intended to reflect inferentially upon the treasurer of the Ulster Club. Mr. W. F. Coates presented most lucid accounts. He came into office only this year, though he is an old hand in motor cycling, and I was greatly impressed with the grasp he obviously possessed of all the ramifications of the club's finances.

There was a great deal of blunt speaking at the Ulster meeting. Hard knocks were given and taken, and if such candour is a good sign, then the Ulster Club is healthy. Mr. D. A. Boyd made an excellent chairman—and Mr. J. J. Shiel was first-class at the Leinster meeting, I might add. The chairman of the Ulster Committee (Mr. S. G. Kennedy) also impressed one with his dignified and objective comments when he spoke.

I think that the opposition of the Ulster club to the B.B.C. is a mistake. In the Free State nothing is paid for the right to broadcast races, and if there are to be no more broadcasts of the Ulster Grand Prix the race will suffer in prestige. The race is not so important as it was three years ago. That is due to the declining interest in racing of the British manufacturers, and the club cannot be blamed. But at a time when racing needs all the boosting it can get it seems absurd to demand cash payments from those who are conferring a blessing.

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RELIABILITY CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND

FINAL PLACINGS OF THE RIDERS

The following table shows the placings, percentages and marks of the riders taking part in the Motor Cycle Union of Ireland's Inter-Club Reliability Championship. The letters at the tops of the columns in the table have these meanings: S., number of trials in which the rider started; F., number in which he finished; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, number of first-class awards won; 2nd, number of second-class awards won; B., bonus marks awarded for travelling; P., premier awards won; Marks, total marks in seven best trials; T., total number of scheduled trials in which the rider took part; and percentage of marks (less bonus marks) to marks possible (five in each trial):—

	S.	F.	1st.	2nd.	B.	P.	Marks.	T.	Per Cent.
1—A. H. L. Archer (D.U.)	7	7	7	—	1	5	34	9	94.28
2—E. I. Gibson (D.)	7	7	7	—	1	2	31	9	85.71
3—C. H. W. Manders (D.)	7	7	7	—	2	1	31	8	82.85
4—Harold McKee (K.)	7	7	4	3	1	1	27	7	74.28
5—R. C. Yeates (L.)	7	7	5	2	—	1	26	8	74.28
6—R. G. Leask (L.)	7	7	4	3	1	—	26	9	71.42
7—C. W. Duffin (K.)	7	6	4	2	2	1	26	8	68.57
8—T. Stewart (K.)	7	6	5	1	1	—	23	6	73.33
9—J. A. S. Moran (L.)	7	5	3	2	—	—	22	7	62.85
10—A. G. McFarlane (U.)	5	5	5	—	—	—	20	5	80.00
A—R. Kenny (L2.)	7	6	1	5	—	—	20	7	57.14
B—B. Stronge (K2.)	7	6	1	3	1	—	19	7	51.42
11—S. D. Campbell (D.U.)	6	5	2	2	—	—	17	6	56.66
12—C. E. J. Atkinson (L.)	6	5	2	2	1	—	17	6	50.00
13—I. M. Hamilton (K.)	4	4	3	1	2	—	17	6	50.00
C—S. T. Healy (L2.)	5	4	1	3	—	1	15	4	75.00
14—P. D. Gill (D.U.)	6	4	1	3	1	—	14	5	56.00
15—E. Lyons (D.)	7	3	1	2	—	—	14	6	42.50
16—J. W. H. Topping (D.)	7	3	1	2	—	—	14	7	40.00
17—A. W. Shea (L.)	4	3	3	—	—	—	14	8	34.28
18—S. McFarlane (U.)	4	3	2	2	—	—	14	4	65.00
19—S. Russell (U.)	4	4	2	—	2	—	11	4	55.00
D—G. A. P. Bryan (B.)	5	3	1	—	1	—	10	4	50.00
D—R. B. S. Le Fanu (L2.)	5	3	1	—	1	—	9	5	36.00
E—S. G. Russell (D2.)	6	3	1	—	1	—	9	5	36.00
E—P. Lyons (L2.)	6	2	1	—	—	—	9	6	30.00
F—W. B. White (K2.)	2	2	—	1	—	—	9	6	30.00
20—A. E. G. Moore (D.U.)	4	2	—	2	—	—	6	2	60.00
G—F. Bean (K2.)	2	2	—	—	1	—	5	4	20.00
G—E. E. Robb (K2.)	2	2	—	—	—	—	4	2	40.00
H—B. B. Walsh (L2.)	4	2	—	—	—	—	4	2	40.00
J—R. O'Keefe (D2.)	2	1	—	—	—	—	4	4	20.00
K—J. J. O'Neill (D2.)	3	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	20.00

Also recorded:—R. E. Browne (B.), 2; H. English (K2.), 2; A. J. Marshall (B.), 1; T. Carroll (D2.), 1; J. Bolster (D2.), 1, and J. B. Johnston (D.U.), 1.

The riders appear in order of merit. First Division riders are numbered, Second Division riders are indicated by letters. The fifteen riders with the highest percentages are ineligible for Second Division teams next year.

The letters in parentheses after the riders' names indicate their teams: D.U., Dublin University; D., Dublin and District; K. Knock; L., Leinster; U., Ulster; B., Belfast and District. The figure "2" means second team.

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FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

Birkenhead—Trade of a Holiday Character. Doncaster—No stock on offer. London—Wheat cargoes and Rubber quiet, Tin slow and Copper dull.

CATTLE.

BIRKENHEAD.—The week's landings were 783 Irish cattle and 752 lambs. Trade was very quiet and of a holiday character. For the smaller supplies of both cattle and lambs where business was transacted late rates were fully maintained.

DONCASTER.—The market was advertised, but no stock was on offer.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (BALTIC).—WHEAT—Quiet conditions prevailed in the cargo section under holiday influences, and with overseas advices rather featureless prices disclosed no material change. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic) January sellers 54/9, white Pacific January 35/5, 36/6, Rosafe 63½lb. December 39/9. Parcels quietly steady. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic) December-January sellers 55/3. No. 2 ditto 52/9, No. 3 ditto 46/6½. No. 4 ditto 43/-, No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Vancouver) January 54/-, No. 2 ditto 51/9, No. 3 ditto 44/7½, No. 4 ditto 43/7½; white Pacific January 35/6, No. 1 dark hard winter (Gulf) January 41/5, No. 2 ditto 39/6, Soule Australian also Victorian December 37/-, West Australian December 37/6, Rosafe 63½lb. January-February 38/10½ re-sellers, Rustler (on sample) December-January 41/9 per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f. terms. Futures firmer on reserve of sellers and covering orders, closing 3½d. higher London grade. Quotations per quarter of 480lb.: Manitoba grade January 44/8, March 43/11½, May 42/0½, July 40/11 August 40/6; grade January 44/2, May 41/9 to 41/11, July 40/10 to 40/10½. MAIZE—cargoes firm on scarcity and firmness of Argentine first-hand offers. Plate January nominally 32/6. No. 2 yellow American (Gulf) January sellers 28/-. Parcels firmer. Plate December 31/-, January 31/3, May 31/2. February 31/3. BARLEY quiet. Parcels of new 25/10½ per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f. Futures firmer on scarcity of first-hand Plate offers, and a fair demand, closing 4d to 1d. per quarter higher on the day. Quotations per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f.—Plate December 30/11, January 31/2½, February 31/4, May 25/9. Sales—January 31/- to 31/2. February 31/3. BARLEY quiet. Parcels of No. 3 Canadian Western (Atlantic) January sellers 28/1½. No. 3 Canadian (Vancouver) January-February 27/-, Iraqian January-February 26/-, Plate January-February 25/3 per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f. OATS inactive. Parcels of Plate f.a.q. January-February sellers 15/9. No. 1 Canadian feed (Vancouver) December 23/-, January 22/6 per quarter of 320lb. c.i.f.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—Overseas markets were better than expected, and forward deliveries of wheat here showed a moderate advance at the outset but further improved on "shorts" covering, showing a liberal advance under best though C.i.f. parcels show no material change. No. 1 Manitoba due sold at 45/6 and No. 3 Vancouver inactive, but held for 1½d. to 3d. advance. Afloat Wheat on the spot firmly held and dearer. MAIZE—Spot parcels firm at 6/3d. per cental for River Plate. FLOUR quiet and unchanged. Graded wheat flours opened 1d. to 1½d. per cental dearer, 1d. over last night.

Values—December 7/6 March 7/5½, May 7/4½, July 7/4¾ per cental. Sales—100 loads at 7/5½, 7/6 for December, 7/3¼, 7/3½, 7/4, 7/3½, 7/3⅝ March, 7/3¾, 7/4, 7/4⅛, 7/4⅜, 7/4¾ July delivery.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—This market has been more or less of a holiday character in all departments. BACON steadily held on continental owing to moderate supplies, and official prices maintained. Danish occasionally held for a slight premium. Danish 86/- to 104/-, Swedish and Dutch 92/- to 98/-, Polish 89/- to 96/- per cwt. Canadian Wiltshires steady at 87/- to 91/-, Irish 92/- to 100/-, Danish 148/- to 152/-, Swedish 138/- to 141/-, New Zealand finest 114/- to 117/- first grade and Australian 112/- to 116/- per cwt. EGGS quiet at late rates.

MANCHESTER.—BUTTER—The Danish official quotation has been wired 13 kroner lower; top now stands at 270 kroner per 100 kilos, against 283 kroner last week and 180 kroner at corresponding period last year. Business generally of a holiday character. Choicest qualities quoted—Danish 141/- to 143/-, Dutch 141/- to 143/-, Finnish 125/- to 127/-, Latvian 125/- to 127/-, Estonian 115/- to 118/-, Australian 114/- to 117/-, New Zealand 112/- to 116/- per cwt. EGGS quiet and dearer; Irish 92/- to 100/-, Danish 97/- to 107/-, Swedish 92/- to 100/-, Polish 88/- to 97/-. LARD—Steady. English refined 58/- per cwt. CHEESE—Lancashire, Cheshire and Colonial unchanged. New Zealand white and coloured 66/- to 68/-, Canadian 71/- to 74/-. BEANS and PEAS held for steady rates, but business negligible.

JUTE steady, but business of a holiday character. Firsts December-January sellers £19 2/6, £19 5/-, lightnings £19 3/9, February-March sold 6/3. Hearts sellers £19 7/6 December-January down at £19 5/-, February £19 3/9. February-March sold £18 9/-, March £18 8/9 c.f.f. Calcutta gunnies K grade January-March £25 5/- c.f.f. Manilla quiet, unaltered. African firm, with moderate inquiries. SISAL—Market slow. T.N. £23/6. May 44/6. January-February 44/-. March buyers 43/6, May 44/6. January-February 44/-. March sellers 43/6. COPRA in quiet support, but steadily held. Straits January sellers £14 10/-, February £14 7/6. Dutch F.M.S. January sellers £14 10/-, £14 6/3. Palm kernels December-January sellers £11 9/6 c.i.f. Hamburg. RUBBER—Business quite of a holiday character. Sheet—Business January buyers 7¼d., February 7¼d., April-June 7¼d. July-September 7¼d. London stocks expected to decline 400 tons on the week, and Liverpool by a similar amount.

OILS—LINSEED firm, spot (small lots) sellers 30/5. January, also February-April 27/9, May-August 27/10½, September-December 28/-. RAPE maintained. Crude spot 36/-, refined 37/-. COTTON common edible 34/-, deodorised 39/6. SOYA steady. English crude naked spot 30/6, deodorised barrels spot 33/6. COCOANUT quiet, Ceylon white coasts 33/-, January 19/10½. English naked deodorised barrels spot 30/6. GROUNDNUT slow 36/6. TURPENTINE quiet. American spot 31/6, January-April 32/6. ROSIN steady. American spot 31/6. January-April 32/6. ROSIN steady. American grade F 14/-. PIG 14/9 per cwt.

OILSEEDS—LINSEED—Market dull, but steady. Plate to Hull December sellers £12 10/-, January £12 7/6, February, also March, £12 6/3. Calcutta to London December £15, January £14 18/9, Bombay to London December, also January, £15, March £14 13/9. RAPESEED steady. Toria to Hull December-January £14 5/-. COTTONSEED steadier. Egyptian black to Hull December to March £8 12/6. GROUNDNUTS quiet. Coromandel to the Continent January, also February, £11 16/3, March £11 17/6, April £12 18/9. CASTORSEED steady. Bombay to Hull December-January £14 2/6. SOYA BEANS dull. Manchurian to the Continent December £8 2/6, January, also February, £8 per ton c.i.f.

LIVERPOOL.—CANE SUGAR steady, and unchanged. Sellers basis 96 deg. pol. parcels 6/1½ per cwt. c.i.f., December-January shipments to U.K. Refined descriptions steady, and quotations are unaltered. COCOA—The spot demand for West African continues very slow. Forward shipment positions quietly steady. Sellers of new crop good fermented Accra at 23/9 and new crop Lagos f.a.q. at 21/3, with buyers of both descriptions nominally at 6d. less. December-February and January-March shipments c.i.f. Continent per 50 kilos. JAPANESE PEAS steady, but quiet. Spot parcels in store held at £22 per ton. RICE BRAN—Burma steady and maintained at £5 12/6 per ton for February-March shipments ex ship terms, but only a quiet demand.

OIL CAKES—Forward shipments of imported descriptions steady but quiet at late rates. American linseed quoted at £8 10/-, River River (round) £8 15/-, and Indian expeller £8 11/3, all c.i.f. December-January shipments. Cottonseed remain at £4 12/6 December-January shipment ex ship terms.

OIL SEEDS—Linseed—River Plate firm and dearer, with £12 8/9 per ton now quoted for new crop January-February shipments. Cottonseed remains quietly steady. Forward shipment values of white woolly sorts unaltered at £4 5/- to £4 15/- per ton ex ship terms, according to position and quality. Palm Kernels continue quietly steady, with sellers of December and January shipments at £11 7/6 per ton.

PALM KERNEL OIL steady but quiet. Crushers quote £21 for crushed crude and/or extracted crude G.M.O. and £25 per ton naked ex mills Liverpool. GROUNDNUT OIL steady, without change. Local made deodorised held at £33 10/- per ton naked ex mills. COCOA-NUT OIL steady but quiet for English-made crushed crude at £21 naked ex mills Liverpool. Forward shipments of imported descriptions remain quietly steady at £20 for white Ceylon in drums and £19 10/- per ton Straits, both c.i.f. to Liverpool.

SEED OILS—Liverpool makes continue steady but quiet at late rates. Cottonseed quoted 22/6 for refined edible and 24/6 deodorised net naked. Soya deodorised scarce and quoted nominal. Linseed held at 33/- for raw and 34/6 per cwt. boiled on spot in barrels, all ex mills. PALM OIL steady but quiet. Soft oils for December-February-March and January-February £17, 17/6 with transit option and March-April shipment £16 quay terms. TALLOW—South American No. 1 frigorific beefs steadily held at 22/-, and Australian good colour mixed 21/- to 21/6 per cwt., both c.i.f. for shipment, but demand quiet.

LONDON METALS MARKET

TIN SLOW AND COPPER DULL.

TIN—Trade slow and prices easier. On balance, official quotations were 17/6 to 20/- per ton down for cash and 20/- forward. Standard cash quoted £186 5/- to £186 7/6, three months £185 15/- to £186, cash at Penang £183 to £186.

English ingots quoted £186 5/-. East sold £187, c.i.f., per ton. COPPER dull and slightly easier. Official quotations marked an advance of 1/3 per ton both cash and forward. Standard cash quoted £39 18/9 to £40, three months £40 2/6 to £40 5/-; settlement £40, 400 tons changed hands, three months at £40 2/6 to £40 3/9. Electros quoted £44 to £45, wire bars £45, best selected £45 15/- to £45, strong sheets £74 per ton. LEAD quiet, but steady. 600 tons sold, good spot foreign pig, March £15 15/- to £15 16/3; settlement £15 12/6 per ton. SPELTER inactive, but tone firmer on reserved offers. 200 tons sold, February £15 2/6, March £15 2/6 to £15 5/-; settlement £15 2/6 per ton. SILVER idle. Cash quoted 19½d. to 20d., three months 19¼d. to 20d.; settlement 20d. fine oz. QUICKSILVER—Spot London £15 to £13 0/6 per bottle.

HIDES AND LEATHER

(SPECIAL REPORT.)

Although the demand for domestic hides was not particularly brisk, prices were steady to the turn dearer. English ox and heifer first clear were unchanged to ½d. higher, 80-89lb. and 90lb. and up sold at 55½d. to 57½d., 70-79lb. at 54½d. to 56½d.; first clear cows made 41½d. to 51½d., and heavy bulls at 43½d. to 41½d. per lb. Calf skins were fully steady, with 9-16lb. sold at 6d. to 6¾d. per lb. Imported hides were firm, with dry B.A. Africanos quoted at 9¾d. and dry first Capes at 9½d. per lb. Holiday conditions prevailed in virtually all sections of the leather market, but prices generally ruled steadier. Business in sole leather was restricted to small lots of bends for repairing bends. Offal was a steady market, with prices of rough leather maintained at the recent level. Upper leathers were quietly steady.

AMERICAN FINANCIAL NOTES

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

SHIPMENT OF £1,000,000 TO FRANCE.

Gold to the value of 5,000,000 dollars was shipped to France yesterday week, making a total so far of 40,000,000 dollars. Evidence of another large-scale sale of gold by the American Stabilisation Fund to foreign stabilisation accounts is seen in the weekly Federal Reserve

Financial News & Notes

LONDON STOCK MARKET FEATURES

AWAITING THE NEW YEAR

TRANS-ATLANTIC SECURITIES

FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

69 FLEET STREET, LONDON.

It was a foregone conclusion that the days immediately preceding Christmas would provide comparatively little business for the Stock Exchange and the prospects are that the week just begun will not mark much improvement in this respect. There will be a natural disposition to await the turn of the year, and the hope may be expressed that the optimism usually evident at this period will prove to be justified. There should be some stir in the investment markets owing to the large volume of funds that will be released with the advent of January, and it is fairly safe to assume that prices of gilt-edged securities will be well maintained, if they do not show some advance. At the same time it is likely that new capital issues will be on a fairly large scale, and, judging by the results of the last trustee loans, those in the first rank are likely to be well supported. At present, however, it is more than usually difficult to gauge the probable course of markets in the near future because of the importance of the political questions now at issue.

MONEY AND TRADE

Apart from politics the chief factors likely to influence markets in the future are money and trade. Fortunately, there is no reason to look for materially dearer credit conditions even if the early part of the new year sees the flotation of another Government loan for rearmament expenditure. Fixed interest securities may be more influenced in the early future by Budget considerations, for the financial year may end with a big deficit, which would have to be met by borrowing. The terms of any new Government borrowing may affect market values of existing gil-edged securities, but it may be recalled that the sharp drop in this section in the early part of 1937 was mainly the result of the announcement that expenditure for rearmament during the ensuing five years would amount to at least £1,500,000,000. To a considerable extent this expenditure, huge as it is, has been discounted by the fall in prices in the interval. Trade considerations, of course, affect industrial Ordinary shares more particularly, and it is satisfactory that there is no likelihood of anything in the nature of a business slump yet awhile; indeed with the continuance of rearmament activity it is difficult to see how general trade can fall off to an extent that matters. There is undoubtedly a reduction in house-building, but this will be largely offset by new construction in other directions, such as factories, public offices, etc., as shown by Sir Harold Bellman in a recent address at Edinburgh.

TRANS-ATLANTIC ISSUES

It is a good thing that London is now much less influenced than it was some time ago by fluctuations in security prices in New York. That centre has made a good recovery from the slump of the autumn, and as there is less prospect of new legislation of a character regarded as inimical to business interests the recovery is likely to make progress. In that event United States Steel Common will probably attract considerable attention, and higher prices would probably be reached by Chrysler and General Motors. In the Canadian group a purchase of International Nickels round the present price would probably turn out well, for this company is likely to enjoy good business for a considerable time to come, and there is every reason to expect a further increase in the dividend. Among American Railroad shares New York Centrals are perhaps as attractive as any, but the whole of this group would respond sharply to an announcement that the companies had been granted authority to raise rates.

BRAZILIAN BONDS

It has been suggested that if Brazil offers to resume interest payments on the external debt at one-third of the full rate, as rumoured last week, prices of the bonds would appreciate sharply. They might, but it is not easy to see what justification there would be for such a movement. The representatives of the bondholders here would almost certainly point out that the arrangement by no means represented Brazil's capacity to pay, and it is doubtful if they would recommend acceptance. The terms would be less favourable than those accorded to most of the loans under the Aranha plan. The 6½ per cent. of 1927 ranked for half the full interest in the year which will end on March 31 next, which means a payment of £3 5s. per annum, whereas a third of the full rate would give only £2 3s. 4d.—an appreciable difference. The terms might be accepted as a temporary settlement pending the time when conditions permitted of a bigger distribution, but too frequently in these foreign debt arrangements a settlement based on a partial fulfilment of obligations is made permanent, to the lasting loss of the bondholders. Such incidents as the Brazilian default and the apparent determination of the Government to pay as little as possible do not increase the prospect of the substantial increase in our investments overseas that is called for by the steady growth of the visible adverse trade balance.

OIL DIVIDENDS

Evidence of the greater prosperity of the oil industry is provided by the increased dividends announced by the Trinidad Leaseholds and the Apex (Trinidad) Companies, especially the latter, and the resumption of interim payments by the Lobitos. These announcements augur well for the forthcoming declarations of the Royal Dutch and Shell Companies. It is thought that the former will increase its interim payment, but the rumour of a scrip bonus which was current a short time ago is not generally credited. The Shell is not expected to announce an increase mainly because a larger amount of capital will rank for payment. Shells may be regarded as a sound purchase of their kind at around 5, for on the basis of the last annual dividend of 20 per cent. tax free the yield is 4 per cent. net, equal to £5 6s. 8d. per cent. less tax at the full standard rate. It may be contended that this is not an excessive figure for an oil share, but the Shell Company's financial position is particularly strong, and it can be taken that the last dividend increase would not have been made had the directors considered that it might not be maintained.

BANK SHARES

Before long the big English banks will declare their dividends for the second half of 1937. The announcements are not expected to provide any surprises, and there is little sign of a demand for the shares in order to secure the balance dividends. As shown on a previous occasion, current yields on English bank shares are moderate, ranging from about 3½ to nearly 3¾ per cent. on the fully-paid shares, and from 3¼ to a little over 4 per cent., on those carrying a potential liability for uncalled capital. The reports for 1937 are likely to show a fair expansion in profits owing to greater trade activity, the eleven clearing banks having increased the aggregate of their loans during the last twelve months by approximately £96,000,000. It may be noted that oversea banks are showing improved results, larger profits having been announced lately by the Bank of New South Wales, the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the Royal Bank of Canada.

LONDON MINING MARKET

A STEADY TONE

In the Mining market on Friday a steady tone was preserved as a whole. A few of the dividend-payers were inquired for in the Kaffir market, and one or two developing Mines were higher. Among the former, "Johnnies" and Consolidated Goldfields improved and among the latter Western Reefs and Palms made a further advance.

Among Rhodesian Coppers, Rhodesian Selection Trust made good some of Thursday's loss on the cessation of sales, and Roakana and other shares in this group were firm on the harder tendency of the metal quotation. Among Diamonds, De Beers Deferred advanced.

In the West African section there was not much of interest. Australians were scarcely mentioned, but Wiluna marked a further loss.

Tins were not affected by the easier tone of the metal, prices being generally maintained in the absence of buyers. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U.—Dec. 13			
17/-	Afrik & Exr	17/6-15/6	+1/32
2 7/32	Anr. A. Corp	2 5/32-3/16	
15/16	Anglo-French	1 29/32-1 31/32	
25/8	Brakpan	2 25/32-2 27/32	+1/32
21/8	Cent. Mining	22¾-24½	
1 7/16	City Deep	1 7/16-1 9/16	
3/8	Con. Geldf'ds	3 5/16-3 7/16	+1/32
8 7/16	Cons. M. Reef	3 1/2-3/8	
1 5/8	Cons. M. Sel.	1 13/16-1 15/16	
14¾	Crown Mines	15⅝-15½	-1/16
2	Daggafont'n 5/-	1 31/32-2 1/32	
2 27/32	Durban Deep	2 15/16-2 7/8	
1 5/16	E. Daggafont'n	1 29/32	
1 3/4	East Geduld	1 7/8-1 15/16	
2 3/4	E. Rand Prop.	2 7/8-2 15/16	
7 7/16	F. Rand Cons.	8/8-9/8	
9 1/8	Geduld	9 1/16-9 1/16	
1 1/2	Golden Deep	1 15/16-1 7/8	
4 31/32	Gen. Mining	4 15/16-4 7/8	
1 3/4	Gen. Areas	1 7/16-1 5/8	
4 5/16	Grootvlei	4 11/16-4 5/8	
3 1/8	Johan Invsts	3 1/32-3 3/32	+1/16
7 29/32	Kleinfontein	8 1/32-7 31/32	
1 15/16	Knight's	1 15/16-2 1/16	
1 3/8	Lee Prop.	1 3/16-1 1/4	
16/3	Langlaagte E.	16/6-17/6	
17/3	Libanon 10/-	18/6-19/0	
21/8	Luipards Vlei	21 3/4-20/3	
1 7/32	Modderfont'n	1 29/32-1 1/32	
14/3	Modder B...	14/3-14/9	
2¾	Modder East	3 1/16-3 3/16	
4/9	New Cent. Wit.	4/6-4/9	
2 1/8	New S. Areas	2 15/16-3 1/16	
2 7/8	Nigel	2 27/32-2 29/32	
1	Nourse	1 31/32-2 1/32	
1 29/32	Palmietkuil	1 29/32-1 31/32	+1/16
1 7/16	Rand Mines	1 15/16-2 1/16	+1/16
1 11/16	Rand Select	1 3/4-1 7/8	
2 1/32	Randfontein	2 5/8-2 7/16	+1/32
2 5/8	Robin Deep B.	2 31/32-2 7/8	
1 5/8	Rose Deep	1 29/32-1 31/32	
14 1/2	Simmer & J.	14 15/16-14 7/8	
4	S. A. Lands	4-4 1/4	
11/0	S. A. Towns	10/9-11/9	
1 7/16	Sth.-W. Afr.	1 3/4-1 15/16	
7/8	Spaarwater	8/9 9/3+9/7 1/2	
1 5/8	Springs	1 7/16-1 5/8	
9 1/2	Sub Nigel ..	10 1/4-10 3/4	+1/2
6 1/2	Trans. Del. A.	6 1/4-6 3/4	
1 13/16	Trans. Col. L.	1 13/16-1 15/16	
2 1/2	Trans. Gold	2 9/32-2 3/8	
7 31/32	Union Corp.	7 13/16-7 15/16	+1/32
1 1/4	Van D.Con.(10/0)	1 1/4-1 3/8	
1	Van Ryn	1 1/32-1 1/16	
1 1/2	Do. D ep.	1 1/2-1 9/16	
1 15/16	Venterspost	1 13/16-1 7/8	+1/32
1 3/8	Vereeniging	1 7/16-1 1/2	
1 15/32	Vlakfontein 10/	1 15/32-1 17/32	
1	Vogelstruisbult	1-1 1/16	
1	Welgedacht	1 3/32-1 5/32	
1 29/32	West R. Con.	1 31/32-1 31/16	
1 x.	Western Rfs.	1 31/32-1 15/16	+1/16
2 1/4	West Springs	2 15/32-2 5/8	+3/32
7	West Wit Ar	7 1/8-8 1/4	+ 1/4
1 5/16	Wit Deep...	1 29/32-1 31/32	

RHOD. AND EAST AF.

M.U.—Dec. 13			
7/6	Bechuana Ex	7/6-8/3	
3	Cam & Motor	2 29/32-2 31/32	+1/32
23/6	Char. B.S.A.	20/3-20/9	+0/3
1/0	E.Af.Gold(5/0)	0/9-1/3	
28/6	Globe Phnx	28/0-27/0	
10/3	Gr'O'F.Rhod	10/6-11/0	
2/8	Loanarwa.....	2/3-2/9	
5/4 1/2	Lon. Rhod	4/10½-5/4½	
2/0	Lonely Reef	1/6-2/8	
5/1	Phnx DeseN.	4/9-5/3	
15/6	Resende.....	14/6-15/0	
20/6	Rhod.A.Am.	22/0-22½	+0/7
3/10	Rhod.Rkn.Hill	4/0-4/3	
3/10	Rhod. Corp.	4/0-4/3	
7/32	Rhod.Kat'ng	3/16-1/4	
16/0	Rhod. Select	16/6-17/3	+0/1½
10	Rhokana C	11-11 1/4	+1/4
16/0	Roan Antel	18/6-18/3	+0/1½
5/6	Rosterman(5/0)	3/3-3/0	
23/6	Select'n Tst	25/3-25/9	+0/3
3/9	Selukwe (2/0)	3/10½-4/4½	
3/9	Sherw'd Starr	3/3-3/0	
3/0	Tanganyika	0/6-0/9	
10/0	Do.6% Pref.	9/0-10/0	
3 1/32	Vic.Falls Otd.	3-3 1/8	
40/0	Do. Pref.	2-2 1/8	
1/9	Wanki Col	1 1/2-1 15/32	
9/7 1/2	Zamb. Expl.	8/6-9/0	

AUSTRALIAN.

2 5/16	B. Hill Prop.	2 0/6-2 1/8	
1 1/16	Do. 8th. New	1 2/32-1 3/32	
2/0	Com'th(5/0)	2/7½-3/1	
5/1 1/2	St. Bould'r	5/1 1/2-5/7 1/2	
16/6	Lake V.Star	16/3-16/9	
20/0	Lake V. Inv.	19/0-20/0	
1/3	Mount Lyell	1/3-1/6	
2 3/32	Nth. Bn. Hill	2 1/16-2 3/16	
1 31/32	Sons of Gwalia	2 0/6-2 3/0	
15/6	Sth. Kalgurli	14/0-15/0	
9/0	Sulphide Ord.	9/0-10/0	
19/0	Do. Pref.	18/0-19/0	
7/5	Wiluna Gold	6 0/7/0	
4	Zinc Ord. (10/0	4-4 1/8	+3/32
6	Do. Pref.....	6-6 1/2	

DIAMOND.

25/16	Cons. Af. Sel.	16/6-17/0	
10/0	Cons. S.W. Afr Pref. (10/0)	9/6-9/6	
11/4	DeBeersDef.	12/4-12/3	+ 1/4
13	Do. Pref.	13-13 1/8	+ 1/8
1/0	Jagersfon'n	1/4 1/8	
4/3	Premier Prof	4/1-4/3	
2/0	West Afr.	1/9-2/3	

COPPER.

15/3	Messina...	14/9-15/3	
19/16	Mount Lyell	1 3/16-1 1/4	
18 1/4	Rio Tinto (£3)	19 1/4-19 3/4	+ 1/4
2 1/16	Tharsis	2-2 1/4	

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5/1 1/2	Ampat (10/0)	4/9-5/3	
2/0	Anglo-C. (10/0)	2/0-3/3	
2/6	Aramayo...	1 29/32-1 31/32	
8/0	Associa'd	8/1 1/2-8/7 1/2	
26 10/16	Ayer Hitam	1 29/32-1 31/32	
8/0	Bisichi	7/6-8/0	
12/0	Gopeng ...	11/6-12/0	
9/6	Idris Hydr Tin	8/6-9/0	
24 1/4	Ipoh	24/0-24/0	
7/16	Kaduna Syn'd	8/6-8/6	
11/3	Kamunting	10/6-11/0	
14/6	Kram't Pul	13/3-13/9	
4/6	Kuala Kampar	4/0-4/3	
35 7/16	Malayan T.D	34/9-35/3	
9/16	Naraguta...	12/6-13/0	
19/0	Pahang (5/0)	18/3-19/3	
2/0	Pattani (5/0)	1/6-1/9	
19/6	Petaling...	18/6-19/0	
3/0	Rahm'n Hydr	2/6-3/6	
15/16	Rambutan...	15/6-16/0	
1 5/8	Rawang Con.	28/3-28/7½	
2/4	Rexong.....	2/3-2/7½	
25/6	Siamese.....	24/6-25/6	
3/1 1/2	Tavoy (4/0...	3/0-3/6	
1 1/32	Tronoh (5/0.	1 1/4-1 5/16	

WEST AFRICAN

13/9	Amal. Bl.(5/0)	14/6-15/3	
8/6	Arbiton...	8/7-9/1½	
3 5/16	Asantil(4/0)	3 7/32-3 9/32	
1/4 1/2	Atta Gold	1/0-1/6	
17/0	Bibiani...	17/10½-18/4½	-0/1½
11/9	Ganti Cons.	11/0-12/3	
23/6	G.Coast Sel.	24/6-25/0	
1 1/2	Kwahu (2/0)	1 5/16-1 3/8	-1/32
1/7 1/2	L'dhurst Deep	1/6-2/0	
14/9	Marin Gold	13/9 14/0	
1/0	Nth. Ashanti	0/10½-1/1½	
1 5/16	Taqu'h & Abs.	1 3/4-1 7/32	

MISCELLANEOUS.

11/6	BurmaCorp	11/10½-12/4½	+0/1½
40/0	Champ. Reef	41/3-42/0	+0/4
11/0	Cons. Corp....	2-2 1/8	
2/6	Explor. (10/-)	2/3-2/6	
26/3	Frontino	1 31/32-1 15/32	
4/0	Mex. Corpn.	4/4-5/6	
2/9	Min. Trust	2/6-3/0	
6	Min. Secur's	5/3-5/6	
7/3	Min. Crp. Can.	7/6-8/6	
22/6	Mysore (10/0)	22/6-23/6	
2 3/4	Nundydroog	2 3/4-2 1/4	
9/0	Oorgaum...	10/6-11/6	
24/3	St. J. Del Ray	1 7/32-1 5/32	
9/3	San Fr'sco	8/0-9/0	
1	Tigon Ming.	1 1/32-1 1/16	
20/0	Tronoa	20/3-21/3	
7/3	Wahi In.	6/9 7/3	

* Ex dividend. † Ex rights. ‡ Ex bonus. § Ex opt.

FIXED AND FLEXIBLE TRUSTS

The latest prices (supplied by the Trusts) for the sub-units of the following Trusts are as under:—

Aviation and Gnrl. Tr. Trust	8/6-9/-
Bank Ins. and Financial	16/6-17/6
British Empire Cumulative	16/11-17/11
British Empire Fixed Trust A	1 41/32-1 45/32
British Empire Fixed Trust B	9/10½-10/4½
British General A	19/10½ x.d. bid
British General B	18/-bid
British General C	17/-18/-
British Ind. Fixed Trust Certs.	18/6-19/5
Brit. Ind. Fxd. Tr. Cts., 2nd Ser.	16/3-17/3 x.d.
Brit. Ind. Fxd. Tr. Cts., 3rd Ser.	17/-18/-
Brit. Ind. Fxd. Tr. Cts., 4th Ser.	19/-bid
Commercial Fixed Trust	19/10½ bid
Domestic Investment Trust	8/-8/6
Electrical Industries Trust	16/9-17/9
First British Fixed Trust	42/6 bid
Second British Fixed Trust	37/6 bid
Third British Fixed Trust	35/-bid
Fourth British Fixed Trust	19/6 bid
Foreign Government Bond Trust	16/9-17/9
First Prov. Fxd. Trust	20/6-21/6
First Prov. Fxd. Trust, Ser. B	16/3-17/3
First Prov. Reserve Units	16/6-17/6
First Recovery Trust	5/9 bid
Gilt Edged Fixed Trust Certs.	18/3-18/9 x.d.
Gold Prod. Fxd. Tr. Dpst. Rets.	24/6 bid+1½d.
Gold Prod. Fxd., 2nd Ser.	17/10½-18/10½
Gold Prod. Fxd., 3rd Series	15/3-14/3
Hundred Secur. Tr. Sub-Units	19/11-20/11
Investors Flexible	14/6-15/6
Invest. Gas and Electric Trust	12/9-13/9
Invest. General Fxd. Tr. Cts.	17/9-18/9 +1d.
Investors Gold Share Trust	14/7-15/7
Investors 2nd General Trust	15/10½-14d.
Keystone Certificates	17/3-18/3
Keystone Flexible Certs.	16/6-17/6
Limited Investment Fund	20/-21/-x.d.
Midland and Southern Inv. Fund	18/6-19/6
National Fixed Trust A	31/3 bid+1d.
National Fixed Trust B	21/3 bid
National Fixed Trust C	19/-20/-
National Fixed Trust D	17/9-18/9 x.d.
National Invest. Group Certs.	14/3-15/3
Protected First Fixed Trusts	31/3-32/3+3d.
Protected Second Fixed Trust	18/9-19/9+2d.
Protected Third Fixed Trust	13/6-14/6
Provident Investors Trust	13/14-14/14

MOTORS AND TEXTILES

BIRMINGHAM

Motor market quiet. Advance in Rovers to 19/10½. Standards stronger at 35/6 and 8.8. at 10/3.

Alvis	4/-	Leylands	83/9
Austins	30/-	Morris	57/6
Do. A	27/6	Morris	33/0
Bluemels	33/6	Napiers	9/6
Dennis	20/9	Raleighs	62/6
Enfields	24/6	Rileys	13/9
Fords	22/3	Triumphs	1/44
Guys	2/44	Dunlops	32/9
Humbers	16/3		

MANCHESTER

Little change in Textiles; demand slow.

Bleachers	5/-5/3	Cottons	37/6-38/-
Dyers	5 5/8-5/9	Velvets	3/6-4/-
Rubbers	5 6-5/9	Spinners	5/-6/3
Calicos	6/9-7/6	Hemps	13/3-13/6
Coats	41/-41/6	Turner and Newall	
Courtaulds	47/47/6		
Dunlops	32 6-33/-	Wall Paper Def.	37/37/6

Band Certificates	19/6 bid
Second Keystone Certificates	15/3-16/3
Security First Trust	16/7+-17/7+
Selec. Fixed Trust A	16/7+-17/7+
Selec. Fixed Trust B	16/9-17/9 x.d.
Trust of Bank Shares	18/9-19/9
Trust of Bank and In. Shares	14/7+-15/7+
Trust of British Transport	14/7+-15/7+ +1d.
Trust of Insurance Shares	21/-22/-
Univ. Fixed Trust Certs.	19/4-20/4
Unit. Secs. of S.A., Unit 16	140/-162/1
Do. Unit 17	163/10-174/4
Do. Unit 19	539/4-574/4
Do. Unit 21	236/6-271/6
Brewery Trust	45/3-16/3 x.d.
Invest. Trust	14/9-15/9
Scottish Bank	16/-17/-
Cornhill Deb.	90/3-91/4
Cornhill Def.	14/6-15/6

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Friday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London idle.

Dublin closed.

Manchester unchanged.

Birmingham Motors quiet.

New York irregular.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	2%
Last year	2%
Irish Bank Rate	3%
London Day-to-Day Loans	½%
London Three Months' Bills	⅝%
Price of Gold	139/7½
Silver (spot)	18 7/16d.

LONDON IDLE

KAFFIRS CHEERFUL

Holiday conditions existed on the London Stock Markets on Christmas Eve, when gay decorations were the order of the day, and members were concerned mainly with activities far removed from business. Paper hats, streamers and the like were to the fore, and the short session witnessed only an extremely limited volume of genuine business. Nevertheless, Oil shares displayed firmness under the lead of Royal Dutch, and the Kaffir section developed several bright spots as a result of inquiries on Paris account. Certain trans-Atlantic issues also went ahead, and prices in other directions generally maintained a steady tendency.

BRITISH FUNDS.

Gilt-edged stocks were mostly idle at their previous closing levels, but the market was inclined to weaken slightly in places, and eventually fractional losses were noticeable in War Loan, Local Loans and one or two others.

FOREIGN BONDS.

The small turnover in Foreign Bonds resulted from persistent liquidation, and Far Easterns, which were still unpopular, suffered fresh reverses. Chinese Government Bonds gave an especially dull display, with the 5 per cent. of 1912 notably lower. Brazilians resumed an irregular tendency, while Europeans were neglected.

RAILS.

Dealers in British Rails were satisfied to leave quotations unchanged, and, apart from marking up of certain Argentines, other Rail sections were uninteresting.

INDUSTRIALS.

In the Industrial market dealings were effected in only a modest number of shares, and, consequently, the market showed little movement. Buyers predominated, however, and the Brewery, Iron and Steel, and Air craft groups again exhibited an improving trend. Cable stocks also were harder for choice, and higher levels ruled for certain Tobacco and Electrical Equipment shares. In other directions, Cement shares were fairly active on the amalgamation proposals, but the leaders slipped back in the late dealings.

MINES.

A feature in the Mining market was further buying of West Springs, and the shares registered another smart advance. Several other Kaffirs, including West Wits., Western Reefs and Ventersposts, also attracted favourable notice, and in the Diamond group De Beers issues were supported. Elsewhere, renewed interest was devoted to Rhodesian Coppers, and, although trading was far from active, Roans and other leaders made headway.

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET

PRICES LITTLE CHANGED

Holiday influences dominated the Industrial and Miscellaneous market on Friday, where business in all sections was at a low ebb and insufficient to cause more than small movements. Trans-Atlantics were generally steady, with United States Steels about a point higher. Brazilian Tractions met with some support on the increase in November net earnings by over 70,000 dollars.

Cable and Wireless issues were quiet, with the New Ordinary harder. There was a fair amount of business in Iron and Steel shares, South Durhams being prominent, while Coal shares attracted attention and finished on a firm note.

Motors and Aircraft descriptions showed small irregular movements. Textiles and Rayon descriptions attracted no attention, and Breweries were little changed.

In the Provision and Catering group, business was extremely meagre. Shipping shares generally repeated the previous quotations. Electrical Equipment issues were mainly steady, with Callendars higher.

Among Miscellaneous shares there was a fair amount of business in Cement shares on the merger proposals, but a little selling took a fraction off the price of Associated Cement.

OILS FIRM

There was a firm tone among Oil shares, and though the session was a short one, a good amount of business was done. There was a moderate inquiry for the leading issues, the Continent being a buyer of international descriptions. Shells and Royal Dutch were in request on Continental account, and finished at about the best prices of the day. Eagles did not attract much attention, and Mexicans finished the turn easier at 12s.

In the Trinidad group, Apex and Leaseholds held steady.

RUBBERS FIRM

Rubber shares generally experienced no business whatever during the pre-holiday session, but selective demand on a quiet scale was again noticeable, and, in consequence, the market kept steady, with prices favourably inclined. United Sua Betong showed up well, and others which made slight headway included Tandjong, Linggi and Kuala Lumpur. The commodity section passed an idle session, with spot rubber changing hands at 7⅞d. per lb.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS

Courtaulds Yarn Price

A surprise increase in rayon yarn prices by Courtaulds, Ltd., last week prompted some buying of the company's £1 Stock units. The market, however, has not been moved to any great extent, and it may well be questioned whether this increase, ranging from ½d. to 3½d per lb., is not as likely to be a "bear" as much as a "bull" factor. In the first place (says *The Observer*), it is understood that the increase in selling prices has been dictated by a rise in production costs, and increased profits are, therefore, not necessarily indicated. Further, there is the Chairman's warning at the last meeting regarding the influence of price on consumption. It may be noted that the American Viscose Corporation, controlled by Courtaulds, is actually reducing its price to encourage buyers. The most important attribute of Courtaulds from the investment aspect is the dominant position the company holds among artificial silk manufacturers in this country. It is not free from competition, and that probably is just as well, but where Courtaulds leads, others follow. To its shareholders last year the company paid the equivalent of £10 5s. 7d. per cent., less tax. On account of the current year an interim of 3½ per cent., less tax, has been paid, the final announcement being due next February. At present, however, the market is adopting a waiting attitude.

BELFAST

A small business was transacted on the Belfast Exchange on Christmas Eve; War Loan 101⅞, 101¼; Great Northern Railway 4 per cent. Guaranteed stock 50, Belfast Ropeworks Pref. 11 (small lot), Imperial Tobacco Ord. 148s., Royal Dutch 41½, General Electrics 77s. 4½d. The Stock Exchange and brokers' offices will be closed until to-morrow (Tuesday) morning.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

	Closing.	Rise or fall
Consols 2½ %	74¼ 74⅞	
Do 4 %	110⅝ 110⅞	-1/16
3½ % War Loan	101⅛ 101⅜	-1/16
Funding Loan	112¼ 112⅝	
Victory Bonds	111 111¼	
5 % Conversion Loan	101⅝ 101⅞	
5½ % Conversion Loan	101 15/32 102 3/16	-1/16
4 Conversn Loan	108¾ 109	+1/16
3 % Conversion Loan	114⅛ 114⅜	
2½ % Local Loans	77 80	
2½ % Land Stock 1926	78½ 78¾	
Irish Free State 4½ % Ld Bd	107 109*	
India 3 %	77 80	
Do. 3½ %	72¾ 83½	
Local Loans	86 13/16 87 1/16	-1/16
Sudan 5½ %	110 113*	

PUBLIC BOARDS.

Cons Sk Bd 4 % 1908 89	103 107	
Do. 4 % 1950 70	112 114	
Do 4½ % 1961 73	108 110*	
Do. 5 % 1966 75	115 117	
Do 4½ % 1957 87	110 112	
Metro. Water 3 p.c. "A"	87 90	+1

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS.

Australian Com 5 p.c., 1945 75	107 107½	
Do 4 p.c. 1955 75	100 102*	
Do 3½ p.c. 1948 53	100 102*	
Canada 4 p.c. 1940-60	103 105	
N.S.W. 5 p.c., 1945-65	106½ 107½	
Do. 4 p.c. 1944 64	99 101	
New Zealand 5 p.c 1952 55	99⅝ 99¼	
Do 5½ p.c 1965 60	97 99	
Nigeria 6 p.c.	123 125	
Queensland 5 p.c., 1940 60	103 104½	
South African 3 p.c. 1954 64	94¼ 95¼	
Do 5½ p.c., 1955 65	101½ 103½*	
South Australian 3 p.c., 1945 75	106⅞ 107⅝	
Do. 4 p.c. 1940-60	100 102	
Victoria 4 p.c., 1940-60	100 102	
Do. 5 p.c., 1945 75	106⅞ 107⅝	
W. Australia 5 p.c., 1945-75..	108⅝ 109⅛	
Do. 4 p.c. 1942 62	99 101	

FOREIGN STOCKS.

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Argentine 4 p.c. Resen.	101¾ 102¼	
Austrian 3 p.c. Guar. Sterling Bonds	100 102*	
Belgian 3 p.c.	100½ 101⅜	
Do. 4 p.c. Bonds	101⅝ 102¼	
Brazil 6½ p.c. S. Bds. '29	20½ 21½	
Do. 5 p.c. Funding, '98	23 24	
Do. 5 p.c. do., 1914	38½ 40*	
Chinese 4½ p.c., 1898..	60 63	
Do. 5 p.c., 1912	60 62	
Do. 5 p.c Reorg., 1913	65½ 67*	
Chinese Imp. Ry. 5% Gld.	70 75	
Do. Shanghai-Nanking 5 p.c.	40 45	
Do Tientsin-Pukow 5%	22 32	
Czecho Slovakia Bonds.	104½ 105½	
Danubian Unified	102 103	
French Loan 4 p.c.	132½ 133½	
German 7 p.c.	54½ 55½	
Do. 5½ p.c.	38½ 39½	+ ½
Do. Potash 7 p.c.	62½ 63½	
Greek 7 p.c., 1924	41¼ 42¼	
Do. 6 p.c. Stabs.	32 35	
Do. 5 p.c., 1914	29 32	
Italian Rentes	11 16	
Japan 5½ p.c., 1924	61 63	-½
Do. 5½ p.c. Conversion	59 61	
Mexican 5 p.c., '99	3¾ 4¼	
Do. 6 p.c. 10 Yr. Treas.	4 4½	
Peru 7½ p.c. Guano	40 50	
Peruvian Corporation	1 1½	
Do. Pref.	4¾ 5¼	
Do. Debs.	52 54	
Poland 7 p.c. Sterling	70 73	
Portuguese 3 p.c.	80½ 81½	
Turkish 7½ p.c., 1933..	1½ 2	

BRITISH RAILS.

Great Western	63¼ 64	+ ⅛
Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	117 119	
Lon., Mid. & Scot. Ord.	29⅝ 30⅛	
Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	83 85½	
Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	103 105*	
Do. 4 p.c Pref., 1923	69½ 71½	
Lon., North East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	8 8¾	
Do. Def. Ord.	4⅛ 4⅜	- ⅛
Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	67 69	
Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	25½ 27½	
Lond. Trans 5 p.c. "A"	126 128*	
Do. 5 p.c. "A" ...	116 118*	
Do. "B" ...	119 122*	
Do. "C" ...	79¼ 80¼	
Southern Def. Ord.	86¼ 87¼	
Do Def. Ord.	19½ 19⅝	
Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	114 116	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

Antofagasta Ord.	12½ 14½	
Bahia Blanca Guar. Stk.	75 77	
Buenos Ayres Gt. Sthn.	17 19	
Buenos Ayres & Pacific		
Do. Def.	6 8	
Buenos Ayres and W.	13 15	
Canadian National Guar.	86 89*	
Canadian Pacific	7¾ 8	
Central Argentine Ord...	13 15	
Do. Def.	6 8	
Central Uruguay Ord.	2 4	
Cordoba Central New ...	1¾ 2¾	
Do. 1st Deb.	44 47	+1
Do 2nd Deb.	10 12	
Entre Rios Ord.	6 9	
Do. 6 p.c. Com. Pref.	9 11	
Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar	68 101*	
Do. 4 p

IRISHMAN'S DIARY

Lord Monteagle and the Flying-boats : The Ulster Dialect
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Folk Dancing in London

Lord Monteagle

I was very sorry to hear of the death of Commander Lord Monteagle. He had lived to a fine old age, but I should like to have seen him carry on for a few years to watch the establishment of the regular air service between the Shannon and the United States.

He took a keen interest in this project, and made it his business to meet the crews of the flying-boats that carried out the survey flights to and from Foynes last summer. He also accepted the invitation to go on board the flying-boats and inspect them for himself.

The weather down at Foynes during the test flights was not always kind, and Lord Monteagle in his hooded cape was a familiar figure to the many journalists down there at the time. His family has always taken a keen interest in the welfare of the people of Foynes. His successor to the title is, if I am not mistaken, chairman of the Foynes Harbour Trustees, and it was for their sake that he took such an interest in the establishment of the Shannon Air Base and the use of the village as the headquarters for the flights.

A stone cross on Monument Hill, overlooking the village, was erected by the villagers to the memory of a former Lord Monteagle, and their pride in showing it to visitors implies that they have as much affection for the occupants of the "big house" as its occupants have for them.

An Indian Judge

A distinguished visitor to Dublin at the moment is Sir Kenneth William Barlee, who has been for many years a judge of the Bombay High Court. Thirty-seven years ago Sir Kenneth Barlee entered the Indian Civil Service from Trinity College, Dublin, and served for a time as Assistant Collector and Magistrate in the Bombay Presidency.

He went on to be an Assistant Judge and an Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay. From Bombay he went to the post of Judicial Commissioner of Sind, and then to a similar post in Western India. Seven years ago he was appointed to the Bombay High Court.

Sir Kenneth William Barlee was discovered a few days ago strolling casually about the scene of his youth in Trinity College, to which he came from Warwick School nearly forty years ago. He is a native of Hitchen, in Hertfordshire.

"Ye Olde English"

Dancers from 24 counties will be taking part in the New Year Festival of the English Folk Dance and Song Society at the Albert Hall in a few weeks' time. I notice that Warwickshire, Gloucestershire, Nottinghamshire, and Worcestershire—all of which are largely industrial and urbanised—figure prominently in the list of the counties to be represented by teams of dancers.

Teams from Grenoside, in Yorkshire, and the cotton town of Bacup, in Lancashire, will perform traditional English dances. Grenoside is a mining village in the vicinity of Sheffield, and the dancers are coal miners, who study folk-song and dance in their leisure moments. Their dance is a variant of the sword dance, and, like all the English sword dances, is believed to be a surviving fragment of a mummers' play of pre-Christian origin. Up to a short while ago the dance was performed at Christmas in Grenoside, and the dancing team would afterwards tour the surrounding villages.

The coconut dancers of Bacup are among the strangest survivals in England. The dance has nothing whatever to do with coconuts: it gets its name from the discs, or "nuts," of hardwood which the dancers wear fastened to their hands, knees and faces. Their faces are blackened, and they wear long black stockings.

A team from the Liège district of Belgium will perform a *danse macabre*, a traditional death dance, which has never before been seen in England.

Birth of a Kangaroo

An eminent Dublin gynæcologist used to tell this story, in order to show how futile it is for man to try and probe the secrets of Nature:—

A Professor of Zoology once thought he would make one more attempt to settle the vexed question: How does the new-born kangaroo get into the mother's pouch?

Having learned that an actual kangaroo at the local Zoo was about to be a mother, he made friends with the keeper, and arranged that he might spend the critical night by the kangaroo's cage.

The night was cold, and our professor took up his post, armed with great-coat, muffler and camp-stool.

Midnight came, and the kangaroo was still working away, with the professor watching intently. But no little kangaroo . . . .

At 1 o'clock a breeze of the morning moved—a cold breeze—and our professor turned away to give one big sneeze. When he turned round again there was the little kangaroo, snug and impudent, in the mother's pouch!

Thus does one moot point at least remain unsolved, and thus does Nature jealously guard her secrets!

The Wren Boys

I had always imagined that the "Wren Boys" were peculiar to this country, but a friend was telling me yesterday that hunting the wren was practised in the Isle of Man until a few years ago.

The ritual of the Manxmen was to catch and kill a wren at dawn on December 26th. It was then carried, tied to a hoop of laurels on top of a stick, from house to house by a procession of men and boys. In exchange for food or coins—preferably coins, I gather—the wren's feathers were given as charms against evil.

When all the feathers were gone the naked body was buried in a churchyard to the singing of dirges.

Ulster Dialect in Literature

Ulster dialect, so distinct from the vernacular of the rest of Ireland, is but seldom to be found in the novels which have Ireland for a background.

Whether these novels be the work of Irishmen or not, it is almost exclusively the language of the South that has been employed to create the typical Irish atmosphere. Even authors who are natives of Ulster, and who could probably write the Ulster dialect with greater effect and with more faithfulness to reality, put the southern form of speech into the mouths of their characters.

The explanation lies to some extent, I suppose, in the fact that the idioms and the pronunciation of the South are more picturesque than those offered by the North, but Ulstérisms have been debarred from literature because of the striking similarity between them, as regards sound and form of expression, and the vernacular of Scotland, which very early had built up a literature of wide appeal to English-speaking peoples.

The Dog "Walker"

There are many ways of making a livelihood, but here is one which was new to me. A friend who lives in a London suburb took his terrier for a walk the other evening. On turning a corner the dog suddenly ran into a regular flock of dogs in charge of an athletic young woman who assured him that the animals would not fight, as she had them all trained in habits of obedience.

During the "doggy" conversation which naturally followed, my friend learned that this young woman earned her livelihood by taking other people's dogs for their daily walk at half-a-crown per dog per week. She "walked" from forty to fifty dogs per day in relays of six or seven at a time, and found the work healthy and profitable, although strenuous at times. It was her ambition to earn enough money in this way to set up boarding kennels of her own. I understand that up to the present there is not much competition, but since the dog population of the London suburbs is estimated at about 200,000, there should be opportunities for others.

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"BABES IN THE WOOD"

FATHER MATHEW HALL TREAT

"Babes in the Wood," the pantomime produced by the Father Mathew Players, had its premiere yesterday afternoon before a large and enthusiastic audience, which crowded the Father Mathew Hall, Church street, Dublin. This hall has been the setting each year for many good pantomimes, but this year's production is the most elaborate and enjoyable entertainment which has yet been staged, and should attract both old and young for many nights. The producers are to be congratulated upon its success.

Comedy, dancing and singing figure prominently in the pantomime, which moves swiftly from scene to scene. Rita Conroy, as Robin Hood, is ably supported by Joan Clarke, as Maid Marion. The chief fun-maker is Paddy Fox, in the part of Dame Lollypop, and yesterday he "brought down the house" time after time. Other funsters are Jack Cruise, Charles Farrell and Paddy Tyrrell, all of whom demonstrate the pains the producer took in rehearsals. There is some pleasant dancing and singing from May Kearney and her partner, Maeve Traynor, while Kathleen Byrne and Daniel McCarthy also give excellent performances.

Repeated laughter from the children greeted the many appearances of the camel (J. O'Kelly and B. O'Connor), kindly given by O'D. Productions, and the donkey (P. Jesson and S. McDermot). The aeroplane in which the robbers arrive (presented by Mr. Maher, Baldonnel) also adds to the comic relief. Aidan Folan, who plays the part of buttons, has a very pleasing voice, and the dancing of Connie and Michael Ryan is very clever.

The book is by Jimmie Reid, who also directs the Father Mathew Players. Mr. Bennie McCabe is in charge of the production.

SIR JOHN AND LADY PRICHARD

Sir John and Lady Prichard Jones came to Ireland on Thursday evening. This is their first visit since their marriage at the end of July, when they went on an extended honeymoon tour to America and various places.

They spent Christmas at Mullyfarnham with Sir Walter and Lady Nugent, the parents of Lady Prichard Jones. Later they will go to Louth Hall; for Sir John is a son of Lady Louth.

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ROYAL INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

ANNUAL ELECTIONS

At the annual general meeting of the Royal Architects of Ireland, the President, Mr. H. Ailberry, announced the result of the ballot for the Council election, 1938, and declared the following elected, the total number of effective votes being 60:—Messrs. W. H. Howard Cooke, C. A. Harrington, J. V. Downes, H. V. Millar, R. C. Keefe, T. F. Strahan, L. F. Giron, B. H. Byrne, and Vincent Kelly. The runner-up in the election was Mr. T. J. Byrne.

The President stated that Mr. Stephen S. Kelly was nominated unanimously by the Council as Honorary Treasurer, and, there being no other nominations, Mr. Kelly will assume office for another two years.

The Hon. Secretary read the annual report of the Council. The adoption of the report was proposed by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Harrington, and, after an interesting discussion by members, and with two amendments, was carried unanimously.

The Hon. Treasurer read his annual report and statement of accounts, which showed an increase in the profits, due, principally, to a steady decrease in the bank overdraft and to increased membership and examination fees. Mr. Harrington proposed, and Mr. Kennedy seconded, the adoption of the report, which was carried unanimously.

Messrs. Thomas Geoghegan and Co. were re-elected auditors for 1938.

The President, having given his valedictory address, invested the new President, Mr. J. J. Robinson, M.Arch., with the insignia of office, and called upon him to take the second chair.

Mr. Robinson referred to the high standard of his predecessor's presidency, and paid a warm tribute to him personally and as a member of Council. Messrs. Vincent Kelly, F. G. Hicks, C. A. Harrington, J. H. Webb, E. G. Buckley, and T. L. Cullimore also spoke.

The following were present:—Messrs. J. J. Robinson, W. H. Howard Cooke, James H. Webb, Vincent Kelly, T. F. Strahan, G. S. Horner, R. C. Keefe, H. V. Millar, M. J. McDermott, J. L. Griffith, W. H. Ward, T. F. Inglis, T. L. Cullimore, E. D. G. Buckley, T. P. Kennedy, John O'Gorman, Alan H. Hope, F. G. Hicks, C. A. Harrington, Norman J. S. White, and J. M. Fairweather (Hon. Secretary).

WALKED 240 MILES TO PAY 2/6

A man living at Inverness swas fined half-a-crown by the Court at Oban, 120 miles away.

A postal order for five shillings was sent in payment, but the Court ordered the offender to appear and pay the fine personally.

This was done, but the man had to walk the entire distance from Inverness to Oban and back—240 miles altogether.

Mr. Thomas Henderson, the Scottish M.P., has given notice to ask Mr. T. M. Cooper, Lord Advocate for Scotland, in the British House of Commons whether his attention has been called to the matter, and if he will amend the law to make it unnecessary to appear in person in similar cases.

At Coleraine the price of flax ranged from 8s to 11s 9d per stone, and at Ballymena 8s. to 11s. 6d. per stone.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

EGG PRODUCTION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I read with interest and sympathy your article in yesterday's *Irish Times* headed "Egg Production."

I am quite prepared to appreciate the spirit of humour in which the article is written, but the underlying sarcasm as to the merits of the poor, humble hen I cannot let pass without a protest. Granted a hen is "silly" and "brainless" and many other derisive adjectives may be applied to her personality. Certainly, kept as a "pet," a hen could hardly be termed as companionable.

The merits of hens lie not in the individual bird; but, kept as profit-earners, they have great assets, and this leads me to the purpose of my letter.

In years gone by poultry-keeping was one of the stable industries of the country, and one which brought much money to our coffers. During the last few years, owing to the enormously increased cost of feeding stuffs and bad marketing conditions, production of eggs has reduced by about 50 *per cent.* This is a sad state of affairs, and one which we can only hope will soon be remedied. Ireland has one very great advantage over her neighbour, and that is that the hens of the Free State have not been driven to "drink and the grave" from over-production. They are a clean-living and spritely collection of birds, showing all that is best of themselves; and, provided that they are well fed and cared for, they are prepared to give their masters a good return for their keep.—Yours etc.,

PHYLLIS BATTERSBY.

Hill Poultry Farm, Athboy, County Meath, December 23rd, 1937.

BABEL IN IRELAND

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—A Christmas card came to me in an envelope with "Nas na riogh" stamped on it. Anxious to know who might have sent it, I started to try to find out what was the English name of the place—but was defeated for a long time. Baltinglass appears to be the translation.

We know that centuries ago some enterprising people started to build a tower, known as the Tower of Babel, which was intended to reach to the heavens.

God was angry, and to punish these people he split them up and gave different languages to the various sections—as punishment.

Here are we in Ireland with a language which will take us all over the world, and yet our wise men are inflicting on us another language which will take us nowhere.

Apparently Ireland has built a Tower of Babel or committed some other enormity.—Yours, etc.,

"L. H."

Dublin, December 24th, 1937.

STAGE AND SCREEN

THE WEEK IN DUBLIN

ABBEY THEATRE—At the Abbey Theatre there will be a first production of a new play by Sean O Faolain, entitled "She had to do Something."

GATE THEATRE—"The Druskard: or "The Fallen Saved," will be revived at the Gate Theatre.

GAIETY THEATRE—"Mother Goose," with Jimmy O'Dea, is the pantomime at the Gaiety Theatre.

OLYMPIA THEATRE—The John MacDonagh pantomime, "Jack and the Beanstalk," is the attraction at the Olympia Theatre.

THEATRE ROYAL — Jimmy Campbell's "Christmas Revel of 1937" will be presented at the Theatre Royal. On the screen: "New Faces of 1937."

SAVOY CINEMA—"A Star is Born," with Janet Gaynor in the principal part, is the leading item in the programme at the Savoy Cinema.

GRAFTON PICTURE HOUSE—Gracie Fields in "The Show Goes On" is the feature film at the Grafton Picture House.

CAPITOL THEATRE—Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers in "Shall We Dance?" heads the programme at the Capitol Theatre.

METROPOLE CINEMA—"It's All Yours," featuring Madeleine Carroll and Francis Lederer, will be presented at the Metropole Cinema.

STEPHEN'S GREEN CINEMA—Will Mahoney and Will Fyfe are the stars in "Said O'Reilly to McNab" at the Stephen's Green Cinema.

ASTOR CINEMA—The musical and dancing film, "Top of the Town," is the new film at the Astor Cinema.

CORINTHIA CINEMA—Patricia Ellis in "Rhythm in the Clouds" and Gene Autry in "Round-up Time in Texas" will be shown at the Corinthian Cinema.

GRAND CENTRAL CINEMA—"The Cotton Queen," with Stanley Holloway and Will Fyfe, is the outstanding item in the programme at the Grand Central Cinema.

THEATRE DE LUXE—For the first four days of the week the programme at the Theatre de Luxe will be headed by Roman Navarro in "The Shiek Steps Out" and "Dangerous Holiday." From Thursday the leading films will be "Parole Racket" and "Speed to Spare."

IRISH WILLS

Mr. Joseph Delahunt, of Seafield, Wicklow, carrying on a grocery and licensed business in Camden street, Dublin, at one time Chairman of the Dublin Licensed Grocers' and Vintners' Association, and for several years an Alderman of the Dublin Corporation, died on August 3rd last, aged 83 years, leaving personal estate in England and the Free State of the value of £108,542 1s. 10d. The will and codicils are proved by the National Bank, of Old Broad street, London, and Hubert Briscoe, of 15-17 College Green, Dublin.

He gives £100 to the parish priest of St. Kevin's, Dublin; £100 to the Prior of St. Paul's, Mount Argus; £100 to the Prior of the Carmelite Church, Dublin; £100 to the Prior of St. Teresa's, Dublin; £100 to the parish priest of St. Patrick's, Wicklow; £100 to the parish priest of Barnbarrig, Wicklow; £50 to the Sisters of the Assumption, Camden street, Dublin; £50 to the Hospital for the Dying, Harold's Cross; £60 to the Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, Harrington street; £50 to the St. Vincent de Paul Night Shelter, Back lane, Dublin, and £50 to the Sick and Indigent Roomkeeper's Society.

Miss Vivian Clarke, of 23 Adelaide street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, died on May 1st last, leaving personal property in England and the Free State valued at £10,344 4s. 3d. Probate of the will has been granted to Edward Kennedy, of the above address, the sole executor. She leaves all her property equally between Edward, Bridget and Margaret Kennedy.

Mr. Lowry Cliffe Loftus Tottenham, of 82 Strand road, Portstewart, Co. Londonderry, at one time an officer in the old R.I.C., who died on July 1st last, aged 79 years, left personal estate in Great Britain and Northern Ireland valued at £6,025 14s. 1d.

Mr. William James Finlay (otherwise William James Finlay Dorman), of 29 Lisburn road, Belfast, agent, a former director of Miller, Boyd and Reid, Ltd., wholesale warehousemen, who died on October 19th last, aged 58 years, left personal estate in Great Britain valued at £9,609 19s. 9d. He left £500 to the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast; £200 to the Presbyterian Orphan Society, Kilkenny; £100 to the Masonic Girls' School and £100 to the Masonic Boys' School, Dublin.

Mr. John Cox, of Bridge street, Boyle, Co. Roscommon, draper and outfitter, who died in Dublin on September 3rd last, left personal estate in England and the Free State valued at £6,086 0s. 9d.

Mrs. Mary Alice Wilson, of Drumnarry, Raphoe, Co. Donegal, who died on April 10th last, left personal estate in England and the Free State valued at £12,067.

Mr. James Barry, of 24 Daisy terrace, Waterford, who died on September 23rd last, left personal estate in England and the Free State valued at £4,127.

Mr. Eccles John Lawson, of Camross, Darly road, Dublin, died on September 10th last, leaving personal property in England and the Free State valued at £6,340.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

A special Service in connection with the inauguration of the new Constitution will be held by the Religious Society of Friends at 6 Eustace street at 10 a.m. on Wednesday.

Returning home and finding his 78-years-old father dead, Alan Kenneth Attwells, of College road, College Town, Sandhurst, dashed upstairs and flung himself from a window. He died in Workingham Institution.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE NOTES

PRE-REGISTRATION RESULTS

TWO HONORARY DEGREES TO BE CONFERRED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

LECTURES in all faculties ceased here for the Christmas recesses last week, nor will they commence again until early in January. This, however, will not apply to certain departments and faculties, especially the scientific or research ones, where work, except for a few days close to Christmas Day itself, will continue on with the full mid-term vigour. Apart from "the final" medicine results, which were announced last week, and in which over 40 candidates passed, Mr. Anthony Garragher heading the lists with first-class honours, pre-registration and some other extra medical examinations were completed. For the pre-registration examination—not strictly a University one having originated from the Medical Council itself—far more than double the number who leave the faculty with their degree enter in as registered medical students.

MR. A. CARRAGHER.

In this test no honours or place results are declared the prospective medico either passing or not, without any further attention being paid him. This, of course, is a pity, and must be remembered, is among the last of the present standard registration examinations, a new and far stiffer one being insisted on by the Council from November, 1938. Though most of those who thus enter our medical faculty are untried and, of necessity unknown forces either in the social, academic or sporting worlds, a few already mean something in this University sphere, chief among whom must be mentioned Mr. Aiden Bailey, a former captain of the Rugby Club and an international Rugby player of many years' standing. This, one hopes, will mean that he will play in the Rugby Club for many seasons. Another international player but this time of soccer, who is now a medical student, is Mr. L. O'Flanagan. Mr. O'Flanagan, a well-known athlete, plays for the Bohemian Club, and has represented Ireland on many occasions. One hopes also that in his case this will mean that he may turn out for the home club, particularly after its splendid performance in the Leinster Cup this season. Miss E. McMahon, a former Pembroke Wanderers hockey player, who now plays for the University team, and Miss McMahon, another College hockey player, must be equally congratulated on success in this the first obstacle of their careers. In the Diploma of Public Health, Dr. D. Coffey passed with first place, first class honours, while the second place went to an old soccer colours man, Dr. W. Clyne.

THE S.R.C.

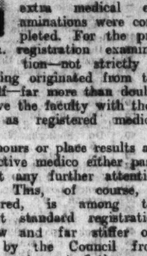
The *National Student*, which came out a short while ago, and was generally so favourably received, contained one very enlightening article on the work done by the Students' Council during their term in office. This article, written as it was in English, gave one a very favourable impression indeed of the amount accomplished, while an editorial in Irish pointed the moral in an entirely opposite direction, culminating in the question—does the Council exist at all? Most will agree that both over-state the case. The Council, which are still in office, if not as revolutionary or able as they would wish to believe, at least have kept the organisation alive, while behind the scenes work of more enduring importance was being attempted. The *National Student*, the chief *motif* for the existence of the Council, appeared only twice in the last seven months. Against this must be balanced the fact that constitutional and electoral changes were passed and set in motion which, even if in the end they meant rather unconstitutional prolonging of the life of the Council will eventually do some good. The Union scheme, or any work undertaken here, can be set at naught, it would have gone ahead if no Council existed, receiving, as it does, support and life from the Senate itself. The restaurant question is still evidently the bane of the Council's life, but whether nearer to solution than ever is to be greatly doubted. The effort made to reduce the price of "hops," possibly admirable in itself (though many will dissent), was largely nullified by the partial closing of the Aula Maxima for renovation. All will agree with the appeal made to the student body to put down "soldiering" at these "hops." This in the past, apart from meaning a loss in income to the hosts, has often led to many disagreeable incidents. The Council must be congratulated finally on its production of the Rag, midnight matinée, Christmas cards, Union carols, and lately the student paper. But whatever praise is given it must be tempered with the knowledge that these are really a matter of routine which every Council must accept with its election.

HONORARY DEGREES

The National University have decided to confer two honorary degrees. Mr. Joseph Brennan, who was Chairman of the Currency Commission, and who read such a brilliant course in Classics both here and in Cambridge, where he was awarded the members' prize in English and Greek, will receive the LL.D. The Rev. Bro. B. Herlihy, Provincial of the De La Salle Order, and a graduate of the University, will receive the D.Litt. He was for many years head of the De La Salle Hostel here, which is one of the hostels attached to University College. The Dramatic Society produced "The Straw," by Eugene O'Neill, during the week. The acting was of a good standing, particular attention being paid to the fine characterisation of Miss Maureen Halligan. The production was in the hands of Mr. D. O'Connor.

MR. J. BRENNAN.

On Wednesday, 29th, the Association Club go on tour and play Queen's University in the Collingwood Cup. On the 31st they will meet Glasgow University, which team they held to a draw in 1935. On New Year's Day they mean to attend the Celtic Rangers ground for the annual important match there. The brothers M. T. Hooper and S. B. Hooper, and the captain, Mr. Doherty, will travel and play with the team.



MR. A. BAILEY.

CHEERFUL BILL AT THEATRE ROYAL

"The Christmas Revel of 1937," the title of the special Sunday performances at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, yesterday, "Over 100 artists took part in the stage presentation, which included singing and dancing by girls of all ages, supported by Jimmy Campbell and the Theatre Royal Orchestra. The concluding items, with loud leader conducting from a "festive board" and the stage full of singers and dancers, made one of the most cheerful and colourful scenes in the many excellent presentations for which the Royal has a reputation. Support was given by Alban Chambers at the organ, and the picture, "New Faces of 1937," was a delightfully amusing one, with plenty of musical items, individual contributions by bands, trios, singers, dancers and comedians, elaborate setting, and a plot possessing an element of drama.

ON THE WIRELESS

RADIO ATHLONE: "Songs We Used to Sing," 7.55.

B.B.C. NATIONAL: Monday at Seven, 7.0.

LONDON REGIONAL: Opera, "Carmen" (Bizet), 9.10.

STUTTGART: "Rock and Ice," 8.15.

WARSAW: "Noces Polonaises," 9.0.

SOTTENS: Johann Strauss Music, 7.50.

LEIPZIG: Viennese Waltzes, 6.30.

AT a time when people, recovering fretfully from the after-effects of three days of festive over-indulgence and general junketting, reach out languid hands for soda water and milk, and say, "Turn off that brass band," the need for music of the less violent kind becomes general, and reflects itself generally in to-night's wireless programmes. True, there are tactless attempts to interpolate Wagnerean items here and there, but on the whole radio directors show a very human understanding that the "Ride of the Valkyries" would just about kill that last lingering trace of domestic peace and good-will. Since ballet music does not usually depend noticeably on trombones, saxophones, bassoons, and other (at the moment, unmentionable) instruments, it is probable that "Noces Polonaises," Nowowiejski's ballet suites, which will be played at 9 o'clock by the Warsaw Station Orchestra, conducted by the composer, should come as a cool hand on the fevered brow of the listening public.

Ballet, because of Pavlova and various other famous people, the spelling of whose names at the moment seems quite an unnecessary diversion, has come to be so intimately associated with the Russians that many must think it of Russian ancestry. Yet far from having germinated from the iron-bound soil of the frozen North, it is—like Keats's "beaker"—"full of the warm South," and actually traces its distinguished ancestry back to those magnificent spectacles which began to be staged at the Courts of Turin and Ferrara towards the end of the fifteenth century, in which symbolic scenes were represented in dumb show by actors, assisted by music and occasional dancing. This "new theatre" spread to France, where it became, in the time of Charles IX, the favourite "*danserie*" of polite society, and where Baltacerini, musician to Catherine de Medici, considerably anticipated Balieff as the creator of the Ballet Comique. There is no space here to trace its subsequent development and increasing popularity, both of which were much assisted when modern opera arose (it has its celebrated place in as early a work as Gluck's "Iphigenia in Tauris"), and a "Conservatoire de Ballet" is still regarded as a necessary part of the modern opera-house. In its modern "divertissement" form as a systematic expression of the drama, ballet was revived in the middle of the eighteenth century by Noverre, called by Garrick "the Shakespeare of dance," and since then it has held a persistent place on the world's stage. True, in modern times there have been occasions when it seemed more expressive of Athleticism than Art, and not too rigidly confined within decency, but the ballet in its purest form remains a very beautiful form of expression, with well-defined ranges which vary extensively in different European countries.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES

RADIO ATHLONE—DUBLIN, 223 Metres (1,348 Kc.) (1 Kw.); **ATHLONE, 551 Metres** (565 Kc.) (100 Kw.); and **CORK, 242 Metres** (1,240 Kc.) (1 Kw.).

1.30-3.0—Gramophone Concerts.
5.30—Opera Records—Faust, Act I. (Verdi).
5. 0—Sean Dempsey (Pipes): Selection of Irish Airs and Dance Music. First House in Connaught, Hand me Down The Tackle, Heather Breeze, Colonel Fraser (Reels), Butchers of Bristol, Spillane the Fiddler, Kildare Fancy, Blakes of Clarecastle, Tailor Jack, Wild Irish Girl, Eileen O'Donnell Abu, God Save Ireland (Marches).
5.15—Diospoireacht—"Cad is Cuilur ann"—Risteard Breathnach agus Deirbre Ni Chonaire.
5.35—Sgathan na nGaedheal.
5.45—To-day's News.
7. 0—Sonata Series—Beethoven 10 and 12—Walter Rechter (Piano): Sonata in G (No. 10) Op. 14 (Beethoven): Sonata in B flat No. 11 Op. 22 (Beethoven).
7.40—Moss Gatheser's New Year Offering.
7.55—Songs We Used to Sing: A Programme of Records compiled by Harold R. Whilte.
8.45—Irish Radio Orchestra and Jean Fitzpatrick (mezzo-soprano). Orchestra: Vanity Fair Ov. (Fletcher); Jean Fitzpatrick: Say ye who horror (Messat). Paddale the Fiddler (Larchet). Three little fairy songs (Besly). Orchestra: Southern Maid Sem. (Simson). Jean Fitzpatrick: The Sea Wrack (H. Darty). An old Scotch Lullaby (Corner, arr. Liddle). The Wild Rose (Schubert). Orchestra: Dale Dances (Wood).
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10.30—To-night's News.
10.45—J. L. Brennan: Sports Review.

NORTHERN IRELAND—307.1 Metres (977 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
7.30—"Farmers' Work and Worry": Peter Patterson (talk).
7.45—The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra, Henry Cummings (baritone).
8.50—Solo Pan Pipes: "Peggy Customs and Superstitions": Alexander Dalzell.
9. 5-12.0—Regional.

NATIONAL—1,500 Metres (200 Kc.).

10.15—Daily Service.
Time Signal, Greenwich, at 10.30.
10.30—Weather.
10.45—Jean Lee at the Organ of the Gaumont Palace, Birmingham.
11.15—Watching Birds in Winter: H. A. Wallace.
11.30—A Pianoforte Recital by Alannah Delias.
12. 0—Gramophone.
12.15—Ice Hockey (National League). Earls Court Rangers v. Harringay Racers. A commentary on the last period of the game by Stewart MacPherson, from Empress Hall Rink Control.
12.45—The B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra. Sophie Rowlands (soprano).
1.45—"Early Struggles": Ruthven Todd.
2. 0—An Organ Recital by Ralph Downes, from the Concert Hall, Broadcasting House.
2.30—H. Robinson Cleaver at the Organ of the Regal Cinema, Bexley Heath.
3. 0—The Folkestone Municipal Orchestra.
4. 0—Friends to Tea: A West-pocket Vaudeville.
4.30—Chamber Music. The Canadian Trio: Ida Nelson (violin), Zara Nelson (violoncello), Anna Nelson (pianoforte).
5. 0—The Westminster Players.
5.40—A Recital by Frederick Sharp (baritone): Songs by Beckett Williams.
6. 0—Time, News, Weather.
6.20—The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
7. 0—Monday at Seven. A special programme for Boxing Day, including S. J. Warming (as Inspector Hornleigh, as usual, but otherwise performed almost entirely by children. Presented by Harry S. Pepper and Douglas Moodie. The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra, conducted by Charles Shadwell.
7.45—The Pirms. The twelfth episode in the tale of Mr. Augustus Pirm and Family, by Sonny Miller and Max Kester.
8. 0—International Sport in 1937: Great Britain v. The World.
8.30—"Broadway Matinee." A weekly half-hour of American Variety, with Freddy Rich and his Orchestra. (By courtesy of the Columbia Broadcasting System of America.)
9. 0—Time, News, Weather.
9.20—World Affairs.
9.35—Peter Warlock (1) Songs, sung by Parry Jones (tenor).
9.55—The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra. Ernest Butcher (baritone).
11. 0—Bert Firman and his Orchestra, with George Barclay, from the London Casino.
11.30-12.0—Gramophone (Dance Music).

REGIONAL—391.1 Metres (877 Kc.).

10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra. Ella McConnell (contralto).
11.45—The Norbert Weithmar Trio.
12.15—A Ballad Concert: Muriel Brunskill (soprano), Frederick Masters (baritone).
12.45—Sonny Farrar and his Band, with Bruce Trent, Len Smoothey.
1.45—Frank Ifea and his Orchestra, from the Orpheus Restaurant, Belfast.
2.30—Gramophone.
3. 0—"Keys." A Short Story by Willa Muir, read by the Author.
3.20—Gramophone: "Die Fledermaus" ("The Bat") (Johann Strauss). "Schwanda the Bagpiper" (Weinberger).
4. 0—A Sonata Recital. John Francis (flute), Millicent Silver (pianoforte).
4.30—Gramophone (Dance Music).
5. 0—Children's Hour.
6. 0—The Hilford Hyden Magyar Orchestra. Dudley Dixon (xylophone).
7. 0—Time, News and Weather.
7.30—A Violin Recital by Eda Kersey.
8. 0—The B.B.C. Orchestra and Mark Hambourg (pianoforte). A. Kennedy Russell.
8. 5—Introduction to:
9.10—"Carmen." Act 4 of Bizet's Opera, from the Vienna State Opera House. The Vienna State Opera Orchestra (conductor, Bruno Walter).
9.40—Ice Hockey National League. Harringay Greyhounds v. Brighton Tigers. A commentary on the last period of the game, from Harringay Arena.
10. 0—Time, News, Weather, Sport, Topical Talks.
10.25—Bert Firman and his Orchestra, with George Barclay, from the London Casino.
11.30—Time, News and Weather.
11.40-12.0—Gramophone.

MIDLAND—296.2 Metres (1,013 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
12.15—A Ballad Concert: Muriel Gridin (soprano), Eric Brown (baritone), Harold Howl (pianoforte).
12.45—Regional.
5. 0—Tunes of To-day and Yesterday: Dance Music by the Ritz Players.
6.45—"Boomerang." Two speakers who stand in an opposite relationship give their views anonymously and from separate studios. A Listener in Broadcasters. A Broadcaster on Listeners.
7. 0—Regional.
7.30—This Week's Programmes: A Preview.
7.35—The Church Gresley Male Voice Choir.
8. 0—Regional.
9.30—Gramophone: British Music Hall Stars.
10. 0—Time, News, Weather, Sport, Topical Talks.
10.25-12.0—Regional.

NORTH—463.1 Metres (648 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
12.15—A Ballad Concert: Boris Stanefield (soprano), James R. Croft (bass-baritone), Freda Brisico (pianoforte).
12.45—Regional.
7.30—The Blackhall Colliery Band and William Wauch (bass).
8.10—A Recital by Norman Walker (bass).
8.30—London Log. A Petrocchino Miscellany for the North. F. Buckley Harcreves.
9. 5-12.0—Regional.

WEST—285.7 Metres (1,050 Kc.).

10.45-5.0—National.
6. 0—Reginald Williams and his "Futurists" Dance Band.
6.30—The West of England Programme Director introduces:
6.35—Cruising Events: Talks and Magazine Programmes: A look ahead at next quarter's schedule.
8.50—Gramophone (Dance Music).
7. 0—Regional.
8. 5—The Bristol Ladies' Choir: Lilian Thomas (harp).
8.45—"After Christmas": E. M. Delafield.
10. 0—Regional.
10.30—Close down.

WALES—373.1 Metres (804 Kc.).

6.15—Regional.
7.30—The Rhondda Ladies' Choir (conductor, James Davies) and Vera Davies (contralto).
From the Reardon Smith Lecture Theatre, Cardiff.
8.15—Three Things I Love: A Talk.
8.30—The Welsh Regional Trio.
8.55—Gramophone.
9. 8—Regional.
9.40—An Others See Us: A. E. Heath, Professor of Philosophy at the University College, Swansea.
10. 6—Regional.

SCOTTISH—391.1 Metres (767 Kc.).

10.15—Regional.
6. 0—The Scottish Studio Orchestra.
6.30—The Old Heroes: Stewart of Killin. An account by the Rev. Donald Lamont, B.D.
6.45—A Pianoforte Recital by Ronald Kinloch Anderson.
7. 0—Regional.
7.30—An Organ Recital by W. Greenhouse Allt, from St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh (Christmas Music).
7.50—"Peradventures in Panto-Land": A series of sequels to some old stories, in which "The Gosseril" suggests that things may occasionally go wrong in even the best of fairytales. Music by Louis Freeman.
8.35—Scots Songs and Dances: Phyllis Graves (soprano), George Harvey Webb (violin).
9 5-12.0—Regional.

ON THE CONTINENT

BRESLAU (315.8 Metres)—4.0-5.0 p.m.—Concert of Carols by a Children's Choir.

BRESLAU (315.8 Metres)—8.10-8.0 p.m.—Blue Monday: The Gift Table—Variety Concert with the Station Orchestra and Soloists.

BRUSSELS 2 (921.9 Metres)—9.5-10.30 p.m.—Concert by the Belgian National Orchestra. Arsenieff (piano).

FRANKFURT (251 Metres)—8.15-9.0 p.m.—A Gay Year—Variety Concert by the Station Orchestra and Choir.

HILVERSUM 2 (301.5 Metres)—7.50-8.40 p.m.—Orchestral Concert, with Simon Goldberg (violin).

KONIGSBERG (291 Metres)—7.0-9.0 p.m.—Christmas Leave—Variety Concert with a Military Band, Soldiers' Chorus and Dramatic Troupe.

NAPLES (271.7 Metres)—7.50-8.0 p.m.—"La piccola cioccolataia," Operetta in three Acts (Schinelli).

RADIO PARIS (1,648 Metres)—8.30-10.30 p.m.—Concert by the 1914-1918 Authors' and Composers' Association. Part I.: Orchestral Music, Songs and Recitations. Part II.: "Namouna," Opera Comique in one Act (Pierne).

VIENNA (506.8 Metres)—8.55-9.45 p.m.—"Carmen." Opera in four Acts (Bizet), from the State Opera.

WARSAW (1,339 Metres)—4.15-4.50 p.m.—Violin Concerto (Schumann) by Kulenkampff and the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, on Records.

TO-MORROW

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HOLIDAY COURSING DRAWS

REMARKABLE ENTRIES

Cup Meetings at Tralee, North Kilkenny and Wexford

BY OUR COURSING CORRESPONDENT.

THREE Cup meetings will enter on their opening stage to-day—North Kilkenny at Ballyconra, Ballyragget; Co. Kerry at Tralee, and Wexford and district at Wexford.

For the Cup meetings alone four hundred and nineteen dogs have been entered, and to Kilkenny Club falls the distinction of leading with a total of one hundred and sixty. Wexford comes second with one hundred and forty-one, and Kerry, of whom it used to be said that there were more greyhounds in the Kingdom than in the remainder of Ireland put together, is third with one hundred and eighteen.

Scanning the entries for a dozen of the principal meetings I find they give the remarkable aggregate of one thousand and fifty-seven, and when to that are added those for four others the total must easily be a record for the Christmastide list.

The oldest established of the Cup meetings under discussion is the Kingdom Cup at Ballybeggan Park. The big stake will not be taken in hand until to-morrow. A most interesting feature in connection with it is the re-appearance of Coming Eaglet, already twice in succession a winner of the stake, but he is now in his fourth season, and for that reason may be left out of account. Should he succeed again his would be a remarkable achievement.

Laurel Road, I notice, is being given another chance. He has been a great disappointment to Kerry coursers, but he has the pace and it may be that he will go on to the deciding course with Pagan Miller, another fast one. Indeed, it is time Laurel Road made amends.

The fastest dog in training in this country is Top Speed. He has two Cup stakes to his credit, and is now going for the Loc Garman Cup, in which he looks like continuing his winning sequence—if his connections are not expecting too much of him. In the top half is Ryland Tipp, who seems to be the best of that sixteen. A more complex problem is the North Kilkenny Cup. Here we have no big outstanding performer. Possibly Clongorey Hero may prove the best of them.

THE KINGDOM CUP

The County Kerry Club's three-day fixture for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, including the Kingdom Cup, promises to prove a success, judging by the splendid entries. The draw is appended :—

KINGDOM CUP—For 32 all-ages. Winner, £100 and silver cup; runner-up, £30; two dogs, £8 each and 4 dogs, £4 each.

Mr. Barrett ns Brindle Beggar v. Mr. O'Leary ns. Moyboe Bash.

Mr. O'Leary ns. Waltz Away v. Mr. Sheehan's Bran's Guide.

Mr. D. Yard ns. Tied Up v. Mr. Gulhan's Rockett's Beauty.

Mr. Griffin ns. Flash Rib v. Mr. Walsh ns. Malavoctre's Best; Mr. Healy's Sommell Avoir v. Mr. Latchford's Hard to Part.

Mr. Caulfield's Cavan Lad v. Mr. Daly's Desirable.

Mr. O'Sullivan ns. Surplus Stock v. Mr. Rank's Jaunty Rake.

Mr. O'Neill's Loading Oscar v. Mr. Clarke's ns. Laurel Road.

Mr. Chute's Ramas Ivy Castle v. Mr. Harty's More Westward.

Mr. Brophy ns. Camp Fly v. Mr. Crean ns. Tiermore.

Captain Baily ns. Rare Buckle v. Mr. Kennedy's Black Isa.

Mr. M. Hogan's Liverly Ranger v. Mr. Savage's Sandie Lee.

Dr. Griffin's African Spoils v. Mr. Rooney ns. Pagan Miller.

Fr. Travi ns. Dirha Beads v. Miss Slattery's Real Punch.

Mr. Ryle ns. Coming Eaglet v. Miss McQuinn's Sporting Sam.

Mr. McQuinn ns. Castle Chief v. Mr. Champ's Sandhills.

PARK STAKE—32 no-course all ages—Mr. Riordan's Rocket Rich v. Mr. O'Donovan's Lotus Sparkle; Mr. Brosnan's Bold Myles v. Mrs. Tynan's Solace; Mr. Laide's Leading Yanker v. Mr. Mason's Mick the Dasher; Mr. O'Shea's Black Ilies v. Mr. Slattery's Hillside Spy; Mr. Scanlon's Sam's Kailer v. Mr. O'Driscoll's Desert Leaf; Mr. Berry's Moyderwell Beauty v. Mr. Ryle's Green Jazzer; Mrs. Devane's Matie King v. Mr. Collins's Green Bonnet; Mr. Kissan's Laune Cutlet v. Mr. Connolly's Jimmy's Pub; Miss Shanahan's Lassinagh Boy v. Mr. Dunne's Young Sanum; Mr. Milner's Mick House v. Mr. Browne's Norah's Ark; Mr. Moriarty's Madrid Front v. Mr. Kenny's Knight of Balla; Mr. Casey's Plenty Fine View v. Mr. Herlihy's Speedy Bonzo; Mr. Fine View v. Mr. Herlihy's Speedy Bonzo; Mr. Walsh's Well View v. Mr. Clifford's Cliff Cabin; Mr. Chute's Chinese Queen v. Mr. Teehan's Scarlet Glenn; Mrs. McCarthy's Darkies' Pill v. Messrs. McGuinn and McCloskey's Actioned; Mr. McGeary's Stand View Cutlet v. Miss Sheehy's Slow Fashion.

TRALEE STAKE (16 one-course all-ages)—Mr. Herlihy's Ahane Sinner v. Mr. Dillon's Grandson of Tullroy; Mr. O'Connor's Moyboe Boy v. Mr. Shanahan's Slieve na Seasga; Mr. Champ's Family Coast v. Mr. Healy's Kerryman's Table; Mr. Murphy's Fight for Frost v. Miss Hely's Golden Gun; Mr. O'Driscoll's Village Champion v. Mrs. O'Sullivan's Jewel of Rosa; Mr. Murray's Roaring Tim v. Mr. Lade's Leading Brooklawn; Mr. Reidy's Rasmore Melody v. Mr. Flannery's Flag Flier; Mr. Galvin's Gambling Fashion v. Mr. Shaughnessy's Little Fashion.

BALLYBEGGAN STAKE (16 two-course all ages)—Mr. Rank's Jovial Ruler v. Mr. Reidy's Rustic Mick; Mr. Cahill's Ballagh Lass v. Mr. Hogan's Hectic Force; Mr. Horgan's Feale Corn v. Mrs. Ryan's Rathcallion; Mr. O'Keeffe's Freckled Fury v. Mr. Costelloe's City Jim; Mr. Chute's Hollywood Express v. Mr. O'Connor's Millbrook Marble; Mr. O'Donoghue's White Shoes v. Mr. Latchford's Castlemorris Leeside; Mrs. Casey's Mattie's Pup v. Mr. Murphy's Musical Melody; Mr. Kiely's Dark Tweed v. Mr. Hoffman's Hendula.

TRIAL STAKE (16 dog puppies)—Mr. Cashman's Clear-Eyed Cutlet v. Mr. Walsh's Signed Orders; Mr. Brosnan's Bread Sweeper v. Mr. McCarthy's Rath Rich; Mr. Harney's The Boon v. Mr. King's Golden Heath; Mr. Healy's Kilcameon Boy v. Mr. Walsh's Wishful Willie; Mr. Lenihan's Pearson v. Mr. O'Kennedy's Merry Bridon; Mr. Cronin's Coolbid Clear v. Mrs. Harrington's Another Higgs; Mr. Laide's Lassaway v. Mr. Broderick's Winning Bayou; Mr. Barrett's Bound Together v. Mr. Burns's Bashful Sandals.

TRIAL STAKE (6 bitch puppies)—Mr. O'Connor's Maigirlie v. Mr. Rank's Jade Rosette; Mr. Latchford's Castlemorris Fly v. Mr. Cronin's Cissie's Gift; Mr. Brassill's Teelspat Riot v. Mr. O'Connell's Carving Cutlet.

ORDER OF RUNNING.

To-day—Once through card, exclusive of Cup. Second Day—Twice through Kingdom Cup and second rounds of other stakes. First brace in slips each day at 12 noon.

MOONCOIN

TRIAL STAKE—For 16 dog puppies.

Mr. P. O'Toole's Old Radnor v. Mr. C. McCarthy's Suspicion Again; Mr. P. Joyce's Jovial Poet v. Mr. J. Hurley's Our Denis; Mr. W. Twyford's Tantus v. Mr. J. Sheehan's Spotted Jim; Mr. O'Hanlon's Hopeless Case v. Mr. D. O'Brien's Big Stick; Mr. Kenny's Danno's Bank v. Mr. T. F. Lynch's Lucky Combination; Mr. R. Carroll's Carolina Prince v. Mr. P. Fitzgerald's Inspector Tom; Mr. M. Dalton's Duty Double v. Mr. T. Fitzgerald's Rosetown Rambler; Mr. M. Mahony's Crocking Mackie v. Mr. W. Twyford's Tatlus.

KILMACOW STAKES—For 16 bitch puppies.

Mr. M. Quinn's Quick Revenge v. Mr. P. Walsh's Well Trained; Mr. T. Galvin's Gulicagh Puppy v. Mr. S. King's Gentle Judy; Mr. M. Dalton's Doctor's Lady v. Mr. P. Healy's Lily King; Mr. J. Kelly's Lowry's Bridge v. Miss Skehan's Smiling Cutlet; Mr. W. Hartley's Bow Window v. Mr. D. Kirwan's Willing Lawyer; Mr. M. Butler's Brianstown v. Mr. R. Ivory's Queen Mother; Mr. D. Kiersey's Peg Macgrey v. Mr. R. Walsh's Glory's Sister; Mr. P. Power's Carrigavantry Lass a bye.

SILVERSPRING STAKES—For 16 all ages.

Mr. W. Walsh's Dashing Ryland v. Mr. J. O'Loughlin's Last Lesson; Miss K. Walsh's Ya Ya v. Mr. D. Byrne's Brave Duke; Mr. W. Galgey's April Glow v. Mr. M. Kennedy's Gaulstown Buzzer; Mr. J. Powell's Forward All v. Mrs. Coghlan's Charleroi; Mr. E. Morrissey's Munster Chief v. Miss M. Carey's Roving Sender; Mr. E. McDonald's Mullinavat Luck v. Mr G. Blanchfield's Dee Cut; Miss M Frisby's Real Biddy v. Mr. M. O'Dwyer's Noble Widow; Mr. R. Walshe's Suirview v. Mr. S. Finn's Cutie's Pet.

CARRIGEEN STAKES—For 16 two-course all ages.

Mr. P. Dalton's Doctor's Care v. Mr. J. N. Walsh's Carick Cheer; Mr. W. Flynn's Friendly Relation v. Mr. T. Flynn's Fancy Cutlet; Mr. W. Pierse's Point Duty v. Mr. R. Carroll's Control Bar; Mr M O'Neill's Ballykeoghan Boy v. Mr. N. Hennebry's Burrah the Robin; Mr. W. Kearns's Black Wednesday v. Mrs C. Morrissey's Morning Nap; Mr. W. Doherty's Dreaming Lady v Mr. R. Harney's Huckaback; Mr. M. Dalton's Royal Poppy v. Mr. J. McCarthy's Junmore Luck; Mr. W. Power's Peg's Piccaninny v. Miss M. Carey's Bunly's Lassie.

LOCAL STAKES—For 16 two-course all ages.

Mr. E. Dunphy's Darricle Quay v. Mr. A. G. Bowers's Mooncoin Nigger; Mr. R. McDonnell's Ballinsola Champion v. Mr. M. Carroll's Carroll's Reel; Mr. M. O'Neill's Ballykeoghan Lad v. Mr. P. Brennan's Ballygriffin; Mr. T. Quinn's Quassin v. Mr. R. Carroll's Mooncoin Bunny; Mr. W. Flynn's Friendly Favour v. Mr. Grant's Gladiola; Mr. E. Meore's Mooncoin Colleen v. Mr. J. Hennebry's Here Mona; Mr. J. Maher's Madame Sandills v. Mr. M. Keane's Moore's Kitty; Mr. J. Walsh's Good Wishes v. Mr. J. O'Shea's Greenvale Queen.

CORK

Judge—Mr. D. J. O'Callaghan, Slipper—W. Casey.

GAME PROTECTION CUP—For 32 all-ages Winner, £50 and Cup with replica; runner-up £20, two dogs £7 10/- each, four dogs £3 10/- each.

Mr. Mackesy's The Luck of Mick v. Mrs Williams's Muskerry Major.

Mrs. M. O'Sullivan's Guard Mentor v. Mr. Falvey's Sand Flower.

Mr. Walsh's Kerry Guard v. Mr. O'Neill's Major Pom Guard.

Mr. Hallinan's Bride Valley Belle v. Mrs. M. O'Lally's Oatsfield.

Mr. O'Riordan's Move Aside v. Mr. Deasy's Captain Mac.

Mrs. O'Riordan's Jimmy from Cork v. Mr. Brown's Garden Gold.

Mrs. Hyde's Beaumont Hill v. Mr. O'Sullivan's Alone Leader.

Mr. O'Sullivan's Coonamona v. Mr. Ahern's Emly Nailer.

Mr. Roche's Bookseller v. Mr. Casey's Our Momo.

Mr. Roche's Fragrant Memories v. Mr. O'Donovan's Darkwood Dandy.

Mr. McCarthy's The Brown Bomber v. Mr. O'Leary's Blarney Freedom.

Mr Clancy's Corporal Kevin v. Mr. Cotter's Many Thrills.

Mr. Cullenane's Vernon Mount v. Mr. Duggan's Kilnaglory Prince.

Mr. O'Connor's Mick the Duck v. Mr. Moore's Gowlen Dano.

Mr. O'Leary's Convo v. Messrs. O'Hea and Barry's Chief Topic.

TRIAL STAKE (16 dog puppies)—Mr. Limrick's Keelbag Star v. Mr. Sheehan's Lt. Vendin's Cockeye Cartridge; Mr. O'Brien's Ocean Way; Mr. Barry's Rambling Rib v. Mr. Roche's Cunenagh Rattler; Mr. Gorman's Ballinacurra Hero v. Miss O'Sullivan's Scarlet Valiant; Mr. Lynch's Carrig of the Glen v. Mr. Riordan's Ardrahan Pride; Mr. Donovan's Lad's Cross v. Mr. Walsh's Ceann Mor; Mr. McDonnell's Magic Defence v. Mr. Gleeson's Valiant Rover; Mr. Warner's Moss Forge v. Mr. Wallace's Old Castletown Chargee.

CARRIGROHANE STAKE (12 all-ages)—Mr Warner's Mocko v. Mr. Wyse's Irish Curtain; Mr. Curtin's Mythical Million v. Mrs. Williams's Muskerry Poncho; Mr. Ahern's From the Hopper v. Mr. Jeffrey's Rathcourcey Rover; Miss N. Walsh's Ashbrook Pal v. Mr. Sweetman's Bee Wonder; Mr. Lonergan's Cahermone Champion v. Mr. O'Brien's First Post; Mrs Kennedy's Glenstore Lass v. Mr. Reynolds's Saving Robin.

SURPLUS STAKE (6)—Mr. Ryan's Donovan's Road v. Mr. Duggan's Kilnaglory Flier; Mr. Bowe's Valentine Boy v. Mr. O'Sullivan's Merrin Hill; Mr O'Brien's Ocean Mystery v. Mr. Mackesy's Valiant Bob; Mr Noonan's Friendly Cavalier v. Miss Curtin's Omaha Terror.

First brace in slips 12.45.

NORTH KILKENNY

NORTH KILKENNY CUP, to be won outright presented by Marquis of Kilmare and Mr. R. C. Price-Wandesforde, M.F.H.'s)—For 32 all-ages. Winner, £75 and Cup; second, £35; two dogs, £6 each; four dogs, £2 10/- each.

Mr. P. Coogan's Picketstown Patsy v. Mr. J. Moylan's Escaped Hero.

Mr. T. O'Dea's Delight v. Mr. M. Stapleton's Monte Sirect Wonder.

Mr. T. Bergin's Bergoff v. "W. Mahon's" Clongorey Hero.

Mrs. T. Ryan's Royal Yank v. Mr. Lydon's Marlow Rock.

Messrs. O'Doherty and O'Carroll's Dorothy Dedd v. Mr. P. Power's Bonbolster.

Miss M. Joyce's Jolly Cutlet v. Mrs. N. C. Guiney's Gay Brigade.

Mr. J. Barry's Summerhill Hero v. Mr. P. Brau's Evening Editor.

Mr. T. J. Barrett's Brief Glory v. Mr P. Griffin's Gentle Tim.

Mr. J. J. Hegarty's Carrig Rebel v. Mr. P. Butler's Whistful Rover.

"W. Mahon's" Lighter Tariff v. Mr. T. O'Dea's Ostlise.

"P. Flaherty's" Dee Diabolo v. Mr. M. Dunne's Droll Flight.

Mr. P. Byrne's Brave Prince v. Mr. Heffernan's Judy West.

Mr. M. J. Corcoran's Carmen Chita v. Mr. J. Brennan's Belleville Star.

Mr E. Coogan's Graineuesood Flapper v. "P. J. Dupont's" Duritza.

Mrs. Caddihy's Cunning Bunty v. Mr. J. Butler's Rattling Steak.

Mr. F. Teehan's Tempest v. Mr. R. Gray's Grey Eyes.

TRIAL STAKES—For 32 dog puppies.

Mr. Wm. Dunne's Delighted Sir v. Mr. M. Hogan's Randolph; Mr E. Tynan's The Lelx Boy v. Mr. Dunne's Dashing Rally; Mrs. G. Butler's Toujours Pres v. Mr. T. Byrne's Barrow Brae; Mr. P. MacCanna's Towering Elm v. Mr. M. Gibbs's Aheaure Gangster; Mr. W. Meade's Myrtle Wreath v. Mr. M. Keane's Celtic Steeple; Miss B. Horan's Howth Hoist v. Mr. M. Murphy's Forgotten Boy; Mr. H. Butler's Cuban Feet v. Miss K. Butler's Battle Scout "Mt. Kelly's" Atropos v. Mr. J. Brennan's Gitten's Pup; Mr. A. Barry's Eclipse v. Mr. J. Hughes's Misty Star; Miss M. Collins's Village Master v. Mr. Dunne's Drasine; Mrs. M. McSweeney's Knockmoylan v. Mr. T. Lennon's Lemon Digger; Mr. J. Walker's Westcourt Prince v. Mr. M. Mulhall's (jun.) Master Lemon; Mr. J. Colleran's Manna Laddie v. Mr. A. J. Roach's Rhiarmus; Mr. P. McGrath's Marie's Cutlet v. Mrs. T. Dunleavy's Di Salto; Mr. J. Brennan's Bellview Steeple v. Mr. T. O'Connor's Birke Boy; Mr. L. Conway's Leo's Gift v. "P. Flaherty's" Roving Chief.

TRIAL STAKES—For 32 bitch puppies.

Mr. T. Kennedy's Knock-na-Creha v. Mr. M. Lawlor's Loon Lassie; Mr. P. J. Murphy's Cecil's Gift v. Miss K. Butler's Battle Guide; Mr. P. V. Murphy's Ard Rua v. Mr. Laddy's Queen of the Ridge; Mr. M. Mulhall's Modern Dear v. Mr. P. Dunphy's Dizzy Lawyer; Mr. M. Corcoran's Bramblestown Maiden v. Mrs. Conway's Corner Queen; "Mr. M. Kelly's" Dreamy Joy v. Mr. J. Meenan's Salty; Mr. T. Lawlor's Brilliant Round v. Mr. M. M'Cabe's Clonan Swallow; Mr. P. Campion's Sampson's Law v. Mrs K. Anglim's Angling Peg; Mr. P. O'Shea's Seskin Fancy v. Mr. W. Delaney's Mariner's Pal; Miss C. Cremin's Lady Raingo v. Mr. P. Henehan's Sean's Colleen; Mr. R. Dowling's Whacker's Fancy v. Mr. M Farrell's More Frivolous; Mr. T. Barrett's Brief Grenade v. Mrs. H. Torpy's Twilight Belle; Mr. P. Fitzgerald's Kilkenny Lady v. Mr. J. Murphy's Madlin Fish; Mr. M. Bowden's Ballyring Belle v. "Mr. P. Flaherty's" Racing Cook; Mr. M. Lynch's Desire o' Life v. Mr. W. Buckley's Burnt Cake; Mr. T. Leonard's Lemon Brand v. Miss S. Tobin's Castlepierce Girl.

BALLYCONRA STAKES—For 16 all-ages.

Mr. T. Walsh's Wireless Rally v. Mr. W. M'Dree's Lisdowney Boy; Mr. M. Delaney's Ranker's Double v. Mr. J. Doyle's Blazing Whin; Mrs. B. F. Holohan's Hefty Hiker v. Miss M. O'Donnell's O.D.'s Fancy; Mr. M. Bowden's Malachi's Rank v. Mr. M. Mapleton's Cloh Port; Mr. W. Kenny's Knitty Knotty v. Mr. J. Delaney's Finnan Dandy; Mr. Mahon's Mischievous Winnie v. Miss M. Kennedy's Kermes; Mr. T. Walsh's Tone Plaspec v. Mr E. Birch's Bee Bunk; Mr. J. Cahill's Jovial Heeltaps v. Mr. W. Butler's The Village Rose.

KNOCKMANNON STAKES (No. 1)—For 16 two-course all ages (dogs).

Mr. J. W. Delaney's Newtown Pilot v. Mr. P. Dwan's Dam Nuisance; Mr. W. Meade's Myrtle Time v. Mr. E. Hogan's Hardy Hobo; Mr. T. Fogarty's Black Boges v. Messrs. Foley and Mooney's Aerial Manoeuvre; Mr. T. Fennin's Five Bob v. "Mr. P. J. Dupont's" Dorchadas; Mr. N. Teehan's Cadler v. Mrs. E. Gilligan's Ned's Battle; Mr. B. Lahy's Look Out v. Mr. R. Mooney's Lismacue Fox; Mr. T. Key's Shady Valley v. Mrs. M. Maher's Mallnad; Mrs. M. F. Teahan's Gowran's Pride v Mr. P. Dawson's Do be Aisy.

KNOCKMANNON STAKES (No. 2)—For 16 two-course all ages (dogs).

Mr. J. A. Byrne's Brave Chief v. Mr. W. Cooney's Crystal Man; Mrs. M. T. Butler's Mr. Wanklins v. Mr. J. Brennan's Dey of Hope; Mrs. Conway's Comor Maggie v. Mr. W. Power's Proud Rally; Mr. J. Fleming's Fair Face v Master M. J. Mulhall's Many Parts; Mr. T. Quinn's Rustic Bloom v. Mr. P. V. Murphy's Meadow Fox; Mr. P. Butler's Far Away Bells v. Messrs. Murphy and Fitzgerald's Flying Mutt; Mrs. W. J. Walsh's Welder v. Mr. J. Walsh's Warm Friendship; Mr T. Kehoe's Wrag v. Mr. R. Buchanan's Bright Master.

LISDOWNEY STAKES—For 16 two-course all ages.

Miss R. J. Carmichael's Reel Nell v. Mr. M. Gibb's Abenure Biddy; Mrs. H. Barry's Pat-Hi-hello v. Mr. J. Hamill's Native Custom; Mr. F. Rourke's Cashin's Beauty v. Mr. F. Cody's Lough Rose; Mr. J. Bourbanne's Neidin's Kate v. Mr. J. Graham's Tolerton Lass; Mr. W. Vaughan's Reel Jazz v. Mr. T. Neary's Norseide Maiden; Mr. H. Torpy's Trickle On v. Mr. P. Byrne's Reilas; Mr. P. W. Donegan's Brishane's Last v. Mr. J. Dunphy's (junr.) Decent Turn; Mr. N. Dalton's Royal Poppy v. Mr. T. Byrne's Clonagown Lass.

Order of Running—To-day—Twice through Dog and Bitch Trial Stakes and North Kilkenny Cup, and once through Knockmannon No. 1 and Knockmannon No. 2 Stakes. First brace in slips at 11 o'clock each day.

LONGFORD

TRIAL STAKE—For 16 dog puppies.

Mr. P. O'Connor's Moonlight Train v. Mr. E. Berne's Flashy; Mr. T. Kelly's Moondert v. Mr. McCormack's Moyvore Boy; Mr. Monahan's Granard Rover v. Mr. J. F. MacManus's Crare Rover; Mr. P. Farrell's Coolcroy Speed v. Mr. P. Boylan's Ballisrink Turn; Mr. T. Murphy's Roving Hawk v. Mrs. D. O'Donnell's Bandera Chief; Mr. J. Bannon's Robber's Link v. Mr. C. Canvan's Connacht Arms; Mr. M. Hayes's Hellfire Micky v. Mr. J. Costello's Connor's Trimmer; Miss T. Holdright's Hot Fires a bye.

TRIAL STAKE—For 14 bitch puppies.

Mr. T. Stewart's Struggling Lass v. Mr. T. Smith's Lone Anne; Miss M. Mason's Osprey's Pride v. Mr. O'Brien's Revel Miss; Miss Tierney's Clipped Wings v. Mr. M. J. Ryan's Moonshine Silver; Mr. Moran's Esline Rover v. Mr. E. Smith's Fashionable Wife; Mr. J. Moran's Maid of Meerick v. Mr. J. Kennedy's Kay's Beauty; Mr. T. Murphy's Miss Thorne v. Miss L. O'Brien's Lights of Bandon; Mr. J. O'Kelly's Blazing Kernel v. Mr. T. Foley's Summer Bank Rise.

THE McKEOWN CUP—For 11 all-ages.

Mr. Gilligan's White Chieftain v. Mr. J. Nee's Gaelic Rawny; Mr. P. Farrell's Cardinal Puff v. Mr. T. McNeilly's Orwell Queen; Mr. Sheridan's Black Pass v. Dr. Joyce's Legal Fear; Mr. T. Daly's Friar's Melody v. Mrs. O'Callaghan's Miller's Mantle; Mr. J. Farrell's Dooser's Gift v. Mr. J. Nugent's Aerial Message; Mr. J. P. Cooney's Gaelic Countess a bye.

RACECOURSE STAKE—For 16 two-course all-ages.

Mr. J. Nugent's Aerial Prince v. Mrs. D. O'Donnell's Slow Train; Mr. M. McCabe's Golden Turn v. Mr. H. Elliott's Wishing Moon; Mr. M. J. Ryan's Gaelic R. v. Mr. P. J. O'Donnell's Welcome Laddie; Mr. W. Padian's Muddle Mick v. Mr. J. Byrne's Hawk's Flier; Mr. W. Daly's Quitting Time v. Mr. Wm. Leahy's Leprechaun's Lament; Mr. J. Fallon's Drumbawn Lass v. Mr. J. Bannon's Hognouth Biddy; Miss K. Jeremy's Gaelic Kitty v. Mrs. P. O'Reilly's Gaelic Park Lass; Miss M. McCabe's Real Estate v. Mr. L. Moran's Cottage Industry.

LOCAL STAKE—For 8 one-course all-ages.

Mr. W. Deaning's Sleepy Moon v. Mr. J. Bardon's Shining Armour; Mr. J. McLoughlin's Carlton Man v. Mr. P. Nevin's Wilful Way; Mr. McCormack's Admiral Ashfield v. Mr. J. Ralpin's Shanalum Queen; Mr. P. Martin's King's Court Girl v. Mr. W. Clarke's Jinkee.

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TRIAL STAKE.—For 16 dog puppies—Mr. P. Arrigan's Surprises All v. Mr. J. Fitzgerald's Air Time; Mr. W. Moore's Ballybrigan Boy v. Mr. T. A. Burton's Knights Stripe; Mr. E. Hughes's Lovely Day v. Miss K. Baird's Broomhall Lad; Mr. C. O'Carroll's Old Comer v. Miss K. O'Brien's Another Mike's Fancy; Mr. G. Whelan's Richmond Road v. Mrs. M. A. Hogan's Pretty Cutlet; Mr. T. Murphy's Shanakyle Calling v. Mr. M. Dobson's Hays Heights; Mr. W. Moore's Mad Oak v. Mr. J. Casey's Death or Glory Now; Mr. D. Cuddy's Mellow Fescue v. Mr. M. Ward's Utmost.

METROPOLITAN STAKE—For 11 all-ages—Mr. E. Phelan's Ashfield Envoy v. Mr. P. O'Dwyer's Overview; Mr. J. Doyle's Derring On v. Mr. J. Barry's Crystal Cutlet; Miss L. O'Brien's Odd Choice v. Mr. H. C. Armstrong's Allardstown Rise; Mr. J. Higgins's Black Dasher v. Mr. J. J. Fitzgerald's Fountain King; Mr. R. Craigie's Odd Fee v. Mr. J. P. Gleeson's Galumph; Mr. M. Killoran's Sligo Champion a bye.

TRIAL STAKES—For 11 bitch puppies—Mr. T. Allen's Brilliant Kid v. Mr. M. Murphy's Prudent Swallow; Miss A. O'Brien's Odd Barque v. Mrs. Dempsey's Misty Lass; Mr. T. Savage's Graham Lass v. Mr. T. Culligan's Roing Swallow; Mr. M. Dillon's Girl from Kent v. Mrs. O. Kennedy's Highland Cosh; Mr. W. Twyford's Traces v. Miss L. Bandman's Speckled Lady; Mr. R. Purcell's Powerful Pull a bye.

COURTRY STAKES—For 16 two-course all-ages—Mr. J. Canning's Likely Hope v. Mr. M. N. Brogan's Flour Sweeper; Mr. P. McGrath's Rathcolman Star v. Mr. M. Houlihan's Surviving Mick; Mr. M. Rock's Rattle Them All v. Mr. M. Quirke's Copsing; Mr. J. D. Breton's Ventington Lawyer v. Miss M. Purcell's Main Man v. Mr. W. J. Davis's Still Confident v. Mr. P. Burke's Bogus Bill; Mr. G. Church's Flaxen Flyer v. Mr. R. Craigie's Miss Yes; Mr. McCabe's Grilna's Glory v. Miss A. O'Brien's Odd Glory; Mr. J. Dempsey's Fawn Sandills v. Mr. P. C. Moore's Bristle Brush.

DUNDLOW STAKE.—For 8 one-course all-ages—Mr. J. Killian's Bossy Lad v. Mr. G. Warren's Nutstown; Miss N. Fagan's Cree Rattler v. Mr. G. Pulton's Fair Speed; Mr. J. O'Mahony's Ivy v. Mr. Grange's Indigenous; Mr. J. Blackett's Miss Answer v. Mr. W. O'Connor's Jym's Fun.

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TRIAL STAKE (13 dog puppies) — Mr. J. Meany's Keep Faith v. Mr. J. E. Burns's Border Moon; Mr. P. Moore's Druckendiff Hero v. Mr. P. Sloane's Liverpool Boy; Mrs. G. McGuigan's Dundealgan Express v. Mr. J. Greenan's Spring Gift; Mr. J. Shaw's Seaforde v. Mr. P. Foy's Edensharra Cutlet; Mr. S. Goulding's Circle Bar Outfit v. Mr. P. J. Campbell's Camp Rebel; Mr. J. Shaw's Sunstar v. Miss Moran's Blue Tape; Capt. Bell's Tobershiel Riverside a bye.

TRIAL STAKE (13 bitch puppies) — Mr. J. McCaffrey's Manly Lady v Mrs. W. Hill's Hylton Moonbeam; Mr. O. McEntegart's Little Will Beauty v. Mr. M. Clarke's Clontarf; Mrs. Duffy's Clipper's Daughter v. Mr. W. McShane's Silver Dive; Mrs. McDonough's Sifferty Songster v. Mr. J. Shaw's Such a Lady; Mr. F. Pollock's Constant Vixen v. Mr. F. Moore's First Margin; Dr. Cunningham's Countess of Lynn v. Mr. J. R. Burns's Border Raven; Mr. J. Shaw's Bilpaway a bye.

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DUNDALK STAKES (20 two-course all-ages)—Mr. R. O'Connor's Erratic Wizard v. Mr. M. Lynch's Mullamore; Mr. T. Baffo's Tobershiel Jester v. Mr. V. McEvoy's Come Along Laddie; Mr. J. Agnew's Abbe Monarch v. Mr. J. Shaw's Shillelagh; Mr. J. Grant's Peasant Prince v. Mr. J. Mulcahy's Jack Hopper; Mr. P. J. Clarke's Bogtown Rover v. Messrs. P. and R. Brannigan's Farther Bulletin; Mr. J. Shaw's Spruce Lawn v. Mr. J. Agnew's Ashton Wolf; Mr. J. Corrigan's Manly Smile v. Mr. J. Marie's Comrade O'Curry; Mr. H. Mussen's Maiden's Bonnie v. Mr. K. Jennings's Kitty's Sweep; Messrs. Agnew and Coghlan's Swift Paint v. Messrs. Duffy and Crehan's Rose of Drumbirk; Mr. H. Digenan's Dear Dignity v. Mr. T. Kelly's Catch Cold.

DOWDALLSHILL STAKES (32 one-course all ages)—Mr. J. Watters's Glenaelen Boy v. Mr. J. Coleman's Gold and Blue; Mr. P. Duffy's Dulargy Star v. Mr. P. Duffy's Dee Latto; Mr. G. Beck's Bann Moonshine v. Miss K. Carroll's Fern Park; Mr. P. J. Campbell's Camp Star Aggie v. Messrs. Curren and McKeown's Royal Toast; Mr. H. McGuinness's Darver Cross v. Mr. H. Byrne's Battle Hymn; Mr. J. Wilson's Banjo Black v. Mr. P. Moldcraft's Rathneety Lad; Mr. J. Burke's Herod's Dandy v. Mr. O. Duffy's Alla's Gift; Mr. P. Quinn's Clonmel Again v. Mr. J. Conaty's Just Consider; Mrs. P. Hanratty's Ballygubbin v. Mr. J. Conaty's Jolly Companion; Mr. L. Bourton's Right for Two v. Mr. G. Beck's Bann Moonlight; Mr. H. Mussen's Malcolm's Refusal v. Mr. P. Smith's Prize Shot; Murphy's Rich Reward v. Mr. P. Delaney's Ballygan Beauty; Mr. J. Sheridan's Ample Races v. Mr. J. Clarke's Cruiskeen Lawn; Mr. Prunty's Tasson Hope v. Mr. T. Kelly's Silver Piece; Messrs. O'Rourke and Kiernan's Tobershiel Bangle v. Mr. A. McKeever's Middle Rose; Mr. T. Shiels's Tara's Queen v. Mr. T. McCormack's Highland Mystery.

DUNDEALGAN STAKE (8 all ages)—Mr. J. Donnelly's Hero's Model v. Mr. N. O'Rourke's Hatchina's Choice; Mr. H. McGuinness's Eagle's Breaker v. Mr. J. Murphy's Buncail Breevor; Miss Cox's Tobershiel Silver v. Mrs K. A. McDonagh's Moondire; Mr. A. Cunningham's Annagassan v. Messrs. McGahon and Coburn's Honest Ruby.

MOORELAND STAKES (16 no-course all ages)—Mr. N. O'Rourke's Hatchina's Pride v. Mr. P. Hughes's First and a Half; Mr. J. Duffy's Ace Cruiser v. Mr. P. Coghlan's Clermont Crooner; Mr. M. McGill's Hilarious Dan v Mr. D. Gordon's Lone Shannagh; Mrs. D. Flanagan's Lawyer's Magic v. Captain Bell's Tobershiel Woodside; Mr. J. Halpenny's Featherna Boy v. Miss Dore's Fleeting Comet; Dr. McEntegart's Max Hope v. Mr. C. Guest's Bellabinity; Miss Pollock's Super Fere v. Mr. J. Tyrell's Tomacross; Mr. R. N. Johnston's R.N.J.'s Luck v. Mr. J. Nolan's Red Hot.

RAVENSDALE STAKES (16 no-course all ages)—Mr P. Cullnghan's Costly Lad v. Messrs. Kerley and Costigran's Precious Friend; Mrs. H. Cooney's Mullaney Lad v Mrs. Shanley's Fox Gyfel Hope; Mr. A. McClelland's Ballooley v. Mr. D. Cassidy's Coreman; Mr. H. Byrne's Rathmooney Lad v. Mr. H. Mussen's Manor; Mr. J. T. Johnston's Bridge Pilot v. Mrs. Wiggins's Ninepenny Fiddle; Mr. R. McAreavey's Viscount Nelson v. Mr. J. McQuillan's Chipped Potato; Mr. P. O'Hanlon's Maigue Rattler v. Mr. J. Nolan's Madam's Darling; Mr. T. Kelly's Jigalon v. Mr. D. O'Ragan's Cat Killer.

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TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

Dublin District Court—10.30 a.m.
Lecture by the Rev. J. L. Robinson, M.A.—Christ Church Cathedral, noon.
Irish Dog Show Organisation—Show, Lord Iveagh's Grounds, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin.
Reception—St. Columba's College, 8.30 p.m.
Monkstown Rugby Football Club Dance—Metropole, 9 p.m.
South County Dublin Harriers' Ball—Lucan Spa Hotel, 9 p.m.

SPORT.
Leopardstown—1.0.
Limerick—1.30.
Rugby Football—Lansdowne v. Wanderers, Lansdowne road, 2.30; Bective Selected v. Blackrock Selected, Donnybrook, 2.30.
Association Football — Shelbourne v. Limerick, Shelbourne Park, 2.30.

AMUSEMENTS.
Gaiety Theatre—"Mother Goose."
Olympia Theatre — "Jack and the Beanstalk."
Abbey Theatre—"She Had To Do Something."
Gate Theatre — "The Drunkard! or The Fallen Saved!"
Metropole Cinema—"It's All Yours."
Grafton Cinema—"The Show Goes On."
Grand Central Cinema—"The Cotton Queen."
Theatre de Luxe —"The Sheikh Steps Out."
Gala Supper Dance — Aberdeen Hall, Gresham Hotel.
Fancy Dress Ball—Grand Hotel, Greystones.
Theatre Royal—"The Christmas Revel of 1937" and "New Faces of 1937."
Stephen's Green Cinema—"Said O'Reilly to McNab."
Corinthian Cinema—"Rhythm in the Clouds" and "Round Up Time in Texas."
Savoy Cinema—"A Star is Born."
Capitol Cinema—"Shall We Dance?"
Astor Cinema—"Top of the Town."

The Irish Times

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1937

NEWS SUMMARY

IRELAND

In a Christmas message broadcast to the U.S.A., President de Valera said that the year would be forever memorable as the one in which the Irish people enacted and gave to themselves a free Constitution. —(Page 7.)

The coal-cattle pact between the Free State and Great Britain has been renewed in virtually the same terms as last year.—(Page 7.)

It is stated that Mr. Michael MacWhite, Irish Free State Minister to the United States, will probably go to Rome as Dublin's first Minister to Italy.—(Page 7.)

Christmas and New Year messages from Ministers of the Government of Northern Ireland emphasise the necessity of broadening the industrial basis of the province and encouraging existing industries.—(Page 8.)

GREAT BRITAIN

While a band was playing to guests at the home of Sir Felix Cassel, K.C., on Christmas Eve thieves entered the upper windows and stole jewels valued at £7,000.—(Page 7.)

The King broadcast a Christmas Day message of greeting to the Empire. After a reference to shadows of enmity and fear, he made a plea for the Christmas spirit of peace and goodwill.—(Page 7.)

FINANCIAL

Conditions were extremely quiet in the foreign exchange market on Friday, and business was small. Gold declined 4d. to 139s. 7½d., and prices for silver were again lower. Dollars closed firmer.—(Page 3.)

Coal-Cattle Pact

Nobody had expected that the new coal-cattle pact would represent any startling improvement upon its predecessors; yet there always lingers a sneaking hope against hope. It is disappointed by the appearance of the curt statement, issued by the Department of Industry and Commerce, which announces the quota of coal imports for the coming year. Apparently, there is to be no change. It is far from impossible, of course, that the next month or two will bring to light the terms of some arrangement that lies outside the scope of the coal-cattle pact proper. The twelve million tons that have been Great Britain's quota of the *Saorstát* coal market during the past few years are virtually the total needs of the State: Great Britain could not receive permission to sell more coal to this nation—however many concessions she might make in exchange—because this nation's demand for coal is satisfied fully by the present figure. Our hope is that, when Mr. de Valera comes to announce the new pact in *Dáil Eireann*, he will be able to say that the Free State has agreed to take such-and-such a supply of other British commodities, while Britain, in return, has consented to reduce her duties on imports from the *Saorstát*. In actual fact, the coal-cattle pact is rather a symbol than a concrete attempt to regulate trade between the two countries: it bears no real relation to their actual commerce. If the present statement had not appeared at all, there would have been every ground for alarm. While it exists, however, it serves as a sign that commercial relations are recognised officially by both Governments: while it exists, therefore, it always forms a basis upon which a really valuable and comprehensive agreement can be built. Nobody knows why such an agreement has not been completed before now. It is an open secret that both Governments would be well content to restore good relations, and nothing prevents their restoration except the unwillingness of either to make the suggestion first. Indeed, one of the worst features of the economic conflict has been the lack of moral courage displayed by the Governments on both sides, both of which know perfectly what they want, but decline to say so through fear that they may be suspected of "surrender."

We do not think ourselves inferior in pride to Mr. de Valera; yet we hold that the initiative towards a settlement—or, at least, towards a trade agreement that would neutralise the effects of the economic war—ought to come from Ireland. For the present Great Britain can do very well without a settlement. She has abundant supplies of Irish cattle; and not merely does she obtain them cheaply, but her Exchequer receives a bonus on every beast imported. She has a steady market for twelve million tons of coal every year, and thus far, at all events, has been able to charge whatever price she pleases for it. What more could she want? The weakness of Great Britain's position in regard to Ireland is potential, rather than actual. Until normal, friendly relations are restored, she cannot be assured beyond any doubt of her supply of cattle; and this insecurity is bound to affect her preparations for war. Nearly two years ago Great Britain established a new Ministry for the Co-ordination of Defence, which includes in its duties the task of ensuring her food supplies in case of war. That Ministry cannot know precisely where it stands until the Free State's attitude is determined—that is to say, until a standing arrangement is reached between the two nations. For the present, however, Britain is the gainer. The Free State is in infinitely worse plight, inasmuch as, until the conflict is over, she can do nothing to adjust her chaotic economy. Not only is her bill for the relief of distress high and mounting, but her industrial development, instead of progressing along steady, planned lines, is being undertaken at haphazard. How many of the new factories would never have been sanctioned if the need to provide employment at all costs had not been foremost in the Government's mind? Far too much of this development consists of nothing but emergency measures, designed hastily to counterbalance the shock of the economic war. We do not think that the country is bankrupt—far from it—but we believe that its economy has reached a state of almost hopeless disorganisation, and cannot be reorganised until its basic industry is enabled to look ahead even a few years. That result can be achieved only by a real agreement with England: an agreement that will stabilise and amplify all the existing commerce between the two nations, and not merely the fraction which is covered by the coal-cattle pacts.

The Pope and the Nazis

Since the advent to power of Herr Hitler relations between Germany and the Vatican have been growing steadily worse with every passing year. For a short period there was an indication that relations between the new Government of the Reich and the Roman Catholic Church would remain friendly and even cordial. A Concordat was signed by which those relations were to have been governed, but almost before the signatures to the document had time to dry, complaints began to be made that its terms had been infringed by the German Government. From the German side it was contended that the Church authorities had attempted to make use of the schools and the Catholic Youth Movement against the Government, and from the Vatican and the German Hierarchy came complaints of restrictive interference with the organisation of religious bodies. For generations one of the leading political parties in Germany had been definitely associated with the Roman Catholics in the country, and that party had given many notable statesmen to the country's service. The Centre Party shared the fate of all political parties when the Nazis proclaimed their single party State, and from that moment the defence of Roman Catholic interests in the Reich was left almost entirely to the Hierarchy and the parochial clergy. The dominant State could brook no interference with its notion that land, people, party and State constituted an organic entity, which must be governed in accord with the ideas of the *Fuehrer*. Education was one of the first aspects of national life to be attacked, and at once there was conflict with the Roman Catholic bishops. The Catholic Youth Movement was merged in the Nazi Youth organisation, so that Roman Catholic boys and girls were cut off from their traditional attachment to their Church. Roman Catholic professors in the universities were compelled to subscribe to the oath of allegiance to the State, but they resolutely upheld their declaration of the non-validity of the enforced oath. Steadily and with the utmost determination every part of the religious life of the people was invaded, so that in the early part of last year His Holiness the Pope sent a strong protest through the diplomatic channels to the German Government. So little effect had this protest that, instead of being abandoned, the anti-religious movement has been intensified.

Since protests delivered through the German Foreign Office have failed, His Holiness has been constrained to deliver a public protest. In his Christmas address to the Cardinals the Pope said there was no doubt about the persecution of Roman Catholics in Germany, a persecution "in connection with which there has not been lacking, nor does there lack now, either brutality or violence, either treachery or falsehood or lies." A few days ago Herr Rosenberg, who is the spearhead of the attack upon the Churches, denied categorically that there had been any persecution on account of religious belief, and went on to suggest that the Vatican authorities were misinformed. In reply to these statements His Holiness made two points: the first is that he is "well enough informed to avoid an error of fact," and the second a denial that the Roman Catholic Church or the Vatican engages in politics. That the protest so vigorously delivered by His Holiness will be any more effective in public than in private may be doubted. The attack on the Churches in Germany is not confined to Roman Catholics; the other Churches are suffering equally in what appears to be a determined movement to drive Christianity from the Reich. Those who are not Roman Catholics also have had to struggle and to suffer, to suffer so severely that scores of pastors have been released from prison on condition that they return immediately after Christmas. The attack on the Churches in Germany, as in Russia, has its origin in the underlying philosophy of the all-powerful State: wherever the State claims absolute control of the individual there can be no division of allegiance. A political philosophy that depends for its validity upon the suppression of individuality must be concerned with the human soul far more than with the human body. The spirit must be dominated if the body is to be brought to implicit obedience, so the efforts to crush religion is merely part and parcel of the dictatorial system. Whatever charges may be levied against democracy in its mechanical relations with the State, it never can be said that democracy endangers the human spirit. Democracy is an extension of the individuality of mankind, and in making this protest against the subversion of the spirit His Holiness is but making a, perhaps belated, defence of democracy.

"Poison Pens"

Last week's references in the House of Commons to Italian propaganda may do something to shock the British public into realisation of what is happening to British prestige in certain parts of the world where the maintenance of British influence is an essential to imperial interests. The average Briton is far too prone to take his Empire's prestige for granted. He continues to live in the atmosphere of Victorian days, when he was taught to estimate the importance of the Empire by the amount of red space on the map of the world; and in those days this rough and ready criterion served its turn. "Foreigners," if they existed at all in the Englishman's mind, were figures of fun—people who ate frogs or macaroni, as the case might be, but not to be taken seriously as rival to the British Empire-builders. Now all that has changed. Since the War foreigners have begun to challenge British supremacy throughout the world, taking advantage of the fact that alone among the nations Britain made a genuine effort to disarm. Unpleasant as the fact may be, no legitimate complaint can be made if other Powers seek to oust Britain from some of her most important markets, or even if they try to convince the world that the British Empire is not quite so faultless as its supporters believe it to be. As Lieutenant Commander Fletcher pointed out in the House of Commons, however, one Power is going beyond all the bounds of decency in its attempts to undermine British influence, particularly since that Power has a "gentleman's agreement" with Great Britain pledging it to friendly relations. Ever since the start of the Abyssinian campaign Italy has been doing everything in her power to blacken British prestige in places such as Palestine, Arabia, and even India. The wireless station at Bari has been used constantly for the dissemination of violently anti-British views, and the amount of damage that has been done has been incalculable. This campaign of Italian propaganda is partly crude and partly clever. Its general purpose is to prove to the native populations that the British Empire is decadent—unfit to be compared with the vigorous and progressive Empire of the Italians. In particular, the British are being accused of brutal acts of aggression in Palestine and elsewhere—of the dynamiting of property, the outraging of women, and all the other atrocities that are part and parcel of the propagandist's trade. Italian agents are virtually giving wireless sets away to the natives in various parts of the Empire, as well as throughout Arabia and the Middle East, and night after night Bari pours forth its spate of viciously anti-British "dope." The Italian newspapers, all of which operate directly under the orders of the Government, have been equally unscrupulous. During the Coronation ceremonies in the British Isles the controlled Press was instructed to make the most of any untoward incidents that might occur, with the result that the stupid attacks on Customs posts along the Free State-Northern Ireland border were exaggerated out of all recognition. Another instruction that was given to the Italian newspapers was to foster the idea that Mr. Eden eventually must leave the Foreign Office; that he was a "tool of the Freemasons," and that his policy was becoming unpopular in Great Britain. Most of this kind of thing would be merely laughable but for the fact that wireless propaganda has a very serious effect on the minds of more or less primitive peoples who rarely read newspapers and are prepared to believe almost anything that they hear. His Majesty's Government at last has been stirred to action, and Mr. Eden has informed the Italian Ambassador that no progress can be made towards the cultivation of better relations between London and Rome so long as this campaign of anti-British propaganda continues. The idea that it can be neutralised by an equally bitter campaign of anti-Italian propaganda is ridiculous. Such a policy would be unworthy of British traditions. Diplomatic action is the only proper course to adopt.

The Holidays

On the whole *Eire* seems to have pulled through the festival. She must be congratulated upon her resistance to the ordeal; for this year she has been faced with an especial danger. It happens once in every certain number of years—ascribe our failure to particularise to the fact that we are only human, too—that Christmas falls upon a Saturday. This recurrent phenomenon is productive of an *abandon* that is foreign to the citizens of this reserved and chilly isle. During a period of six—or would it be five, or even seven?—years Christmas Day is preceded by something like Wednesday, and followed by another, and insignificant, week-day; but in the seventh (fifth or sixth) year it is surrounded by what we only can describe as an aura of holidays. Friday was Christmas Eve. That meant that the wheels of industry barely managed to come full circle in the course of the morning, and that the wheels of industry became inert, with a jerk, as from lunch-time onwards. Friday, then, was given over to delight. On Saturday the fathers of families played with trains, conjuring sets and model aeroplanes; while bachelors wondered how the human frame could tolerate such agony. Yet at this time *Eire* had attained but the middle of her vacation. Sunday dawned, and by now the fathers of families were thinking of golf, rather than of model engines; and the bachelors—on the far horizon—perceived a light that possibly was returning life. Another day passed in wassail. This—so far as one can see—is Monday morning, and apparently, it is to be treated as Boxing Day. It is another holiday. *Eire* has the bit between her teeth, and we doubt whether in the course of this Monday she will pay heed to the Tuesday that must come. Why should she? It happens so seldom—would it be every five years?—that the whole country simultaneously is on holiday for four whole days; and on holiday at a time when goodwill toward men seems to be more than a pious hope. There is a whole day in which to round off the feast: and we even feel that what is left of the bachelors should do its best to see the thing through in befitting style. There will not be another opportunity until 1944. It is, as a matter of fact, 1944.

CHINA STATION COMMAND

The Admiralty announce that the appointment of Vice-Admiral Sir Percy L. E. Noble, K.C.B., C.V.O., as Commander-in-Chief, China, in succession to Admiral Sir Charles J. C. Little, K.C.B., is to be dated December 9, 1937. Admiral Noble will assume command next February instead of in April, as was originally intended. This change in date is due to the temporary ill-health of Sir Charles.

Sir Percy, whose appointment was announced a month ago, is nearly 58. He recently relinquished the position of Fourth Sea Lord. From 1933 to 1930 he was Director of the Operations Division, and from 1932 to 1934 he commanded the Second Cruiser Squadron in the Home Fleet.

COURT AND PERSONAL

FROM THE *COURT CIRCULAR*.

SANDRINGHAM, Friday.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, the Duke and Duchess of Kent, with Prince Edward of Kent and Princess Alexandra of Kent, Princess Alice and the Earl of Athlone, the Marquess and Marchioness of Cambridge, and the Lady Mary Cambridge have arrived at Sandringham.

SANDRINGHAM, Christmas Day.

Divine Service was held in Sandringham Church this morning. The Service was conducted by the Revd. A. Thur Fuller, Domestic Chaplain to the King.

SANDRINGHAM, Sunday.

Divine Service was held in Sandringham Church this morning. The Rev. A. Thur Fuller, Domestic Chaplain to the King, officiated and preached the sermon.

The King held a Council this evening at six o'clock. There were present:—The Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent, and the Earl of Athlone (acting for the Lord President). Sir Eric Mieville (Assistant Private Secretary) was in attendance (acting for the Clerk of the Council). Commander Charles Lambe, R.N., Equerry-in-Waiting, was also in attendance.

The Earl and Countess of Dunmore remained in London for Christmas.

The Earl and Countess of Abingdon have gone to the Continent for about a week.

Viscountess Greenwood and the Hon. Eric Greenwood have left London for Switzerland, where the Hon. Deborah Greenwood will join them this week.

Lord and Lady Vernon spent Christmas in Paris. Lady Vernon is proceeding shortly to Egypt, and will be away for about two months.

Lord and Lady Milton spent Christmas at Wentworth (Yorkshire), where the Earl and Countess Fitzwilliam had a large family party. Lord and Lady Milton are crossing to Ireland on Friday to spend New Year's Day at St. Anne's with the Hon. B. J. Plunket. They will attend Baldoyle races, and remain for about a week.

Dr. Shaw will be away from "Ardandra," Rathfarnham, until December 30.

Dr T. Garratt Hardman has left 21 Fitzwilliam place for one week.

Doctor Colman Saunders has left 17 Fitzwilliam square for this week.

Doctor Harry Lee Parker has left 32 Upper Fitzwilliam street until 1st January.

Mr. Seton Pringle has left 7 Fitzwilliam place for one week.

Switzer and Co., Ltd., wish to intimate to their customers that their premises will re-open at 9 a.m. to-morrow (Tuesday).
Holmes', George's Street—Warehouse will re-open on Wednesday morning next.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.
Among the arrivals were:—Miss Crichton, Miss M. Daly, Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, Dr. Hannahan, Miss Joyce, Dr. Robb, Miss B. MacDonagh, Dr. McNamara, Mr. Venning, Miss Whelan, Misses Y. and D. Darcy, Miss S. Browne, Dr. and Mrs. Barrett, Miss A. Gilligan, Mr. C. D. Coyne, Mrs. Cannon, Mr. R. Fletcher, Miss M. G. Bowe, Mr. J. Elliott, Miss A. Fallon, Miss O'Connor, Mr. A. Kent, Miss B. Kirwan, Mr. and Mrs. Price, Miss M. Murphy, Dr. Minns, Mr. Snodgrass, Mr. and Mrs. J. Roche, Miss J. O'Donnell, Dr. D. O'Brien.
Among the departures were:—Mr. R. F. Goodman, Mr. J. P. Hynes, Mr. G. Conroy, Mr. A. McElroy, Mr. R. H. M. Russell, Mr. R. G. H. Russell, Mr. R. Bradshaw, Mr. S. S. Mather, Mr. J. McElhea, Mr. G. Dundon, Miss O'Driscoll, Miss Davies, Mr. M. L. Cowman, Mr. H. Prost, Mr. and Miss Ridgeway, Miss Whelan, Miss D. Frank, Miss M. Thompson, Miss G. Melville, Mr. E. Philipson, Mr. G. Glover, Mr. S. Gaynor, Miss L. Poundall, Mr. and Mrs. G. Jones, Mr. D. R. Odlum, Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey, Mr. and Mrs. Wine, Mr. T. Wilson, Mr. G. Griffin, Mr. G. Morley, Mr. J. B. Doran, Mr. J. Hartley, Mr. H. Robinson, Miss Rollins, Miss E. Prenton, Miss J. Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Abels, Mr. H. S. Bridge, Miss Fleeman, Miss E. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart, Miss Buckley, Miss B. Lanney, Mr. J. Higgins, Mr. M. Davies, Miss M. Russell, Mr. F. S. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Colyan.

All Stephens and Bourke shops will open to-morrow (Tuesday).
For a Perfectly Tailored Skirt—Marleen, 135 Stephen's Green (top Grafton street).

TO LADIES.—Ladies' Department for Medical Appliances. Artificial Silk Elastic Stockings, or Lastex and Lisle-tar Stockings, stretching both ways. Fannin and Co., 41 Grafton street.
Sharpleys, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets Price List.—2 Nassau St., Dublin

WEATHER FORECAST

General Inference.—A belt of high pressure extends from Russia across the Baltic and England to the Bay of Biscay. It will continue mild in the west and north, while in the south and south-east it will become much colder than of late, with, perhaps, wintry showers late in the period.

Ireland, all Districts.—Moderate to strong southerly wind; cloudy periods; local drizzle; mild.

Sea Passages.—Light to moderate south-westerly to variable winds; local drizzle and coast fog; sea slight to moderate.

Dixon and Hempenstall Barometers and Thermometers. — 12 Suffolk street, Dublin —(Advt.)

DUBLIN WEATHER REPORT.

Time	Bar	Thermometer (Temps. 9 p.m.)	Max.	Min.	(Grass Min.)	Wind.	Rain m.m.	Sun hours
21	29.630	42.3	43	34	30	S.E.	1.0	0.0
21	29.638	53.0	53	42	39	S.E.	1.2	0.0
22	29.780	49.0	56	49	40	—	3.4	0.2
23	30.082	52.2	53	45	37	S.E.	—	0.3
24	30.768	46.8	50	46	47	—	0.3	1.0
25	30.500	51.8	55	34	28	S.E.	trace	0.0
25	30.646	49.0	52	48	46	—	trace	0.0

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.40	8.40
Sets	4.12	4.13
Lighting-up Time	4.42	4.43

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	Morning.	Evening.
Morning	7.14	8.10
Evening	7.44	8.37

AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Belfast	6.49	7.13
Cork	0.35	1.16
Drogheda	7. 2	7.32
Dundalk	6.59	7.29
Galway	0.50	1.26
Limerick	2.20	2.56
Londonderry	4. 3	4.45
Sligo	1.34	2. 6
Waterford	1.36	2.17

PRESENTATION TO SIR WILLIAM MOORE

TRIBUTE FROM HIGH COURT STAFF

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Saturday.

The Right Hon. Sir William Moore, Bart., who retired last month from the position of Lord Chief Justice in Northern Ireland, received a presentation from the staff of the Royal Courts of Justice in Belfast on Christmas Eve. Sir William was presented with a large solid silver salver in Celtic design, suitably inscribed, and Lady Moore received a silver rose bowl. The staff were entertained to tea by Lady Moore, and the presentations were made on behalf of the staff by Mr. T. B. Wallace, Chief Clerk.

NEW RECORD FLIGHT BID

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

AUCKLAND (N.Z.), Sunday.

Mrs. Beryl Markham, the airwoman, who is on her way to Durban, stated here to-day that she was planning an early attack on a long-distance air record, but she declined to disclose which record she would attempt to break.

LONDON LETTER

CHRISTMAS DAY

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
SUNDAY NIGHT.

CHRISTMAS DAY in London, as regards the weather, was most miserable, the day being dull, moist and foggy, the fog increasing until movement on the roads was dangerous in the late afternoon. In many districts cars had to go at walking speed, and quite early in the evening traffic ceased almost entirely. Public vehicles stopped running at 4 o'clock to enable the employés to have Christmas evening at home, and though the suburban railway traffic was running to a Sunday schedule there were comparatively few passengers. The day was really a home festival, and it was a curious experience to pass through a suburban street in the evening to find no sign of outdoor life, while every house was illuminated, with the strains of music coming from most of them. People had shut themselves in away from the fog and the depressing atmosphere outdoors.

The King's Speech

The King's broadcast was welcome, though in some way it lacked the deep personal appeal of the Christmas speeches of his father. The speech was rather a message of acknowledgment of all the love and loyalty manifested during the Coronation. Contrary to expectation the broadcast was not preceded by an Empire "link-up," and its preface by the National Anthem seemed to some people a slight mistake, the giving of the Anthem after the speech being highly effective and popular. In London the reception of the broadcast was extremely good, even the movements of the King being heard as he picked up papers or the microphone. Every word was distinct, and only once was there a momentary hesitation in his speech. It may be decided to drop the Christmas broadcast, but, if so, it will be greatly missed; for there could have been few homes throughout the Empire where the simple words of King George were not heard with affectionate appreciation.

Presents at Sandringham

The King and Queen planned to spend a quiet Christmas at Sandringham with members of the Royal Family, including the two children of the Duke and Duchess of Kent. The traditions maintained faithfully during the reigns of King Edward VII. and King George VI. have been continued by their successor. Following upon the Royal broadcast in the afternoon all the members of the household were given a Christmas present by the King and Queen, the gifts being distributed from the Christmas tree in the ballroom. The King and Queen will probably remain at Sandringham for four or five weeks, not returning to London until the reassembly of Parliament. The Duke and Duchess of Kent will have to leave Sandringham early in the new year, as they are going to Athens for the wedding of the Crown Prince of Greece and Princess Frederica of Brunswick on January 9th. The bride and bridegroom are great-grandchildren of Queen Victoria.

Transport Records

Every Christmas seems to bring a new record with regard to the number of passengers carried by various forms of transport, and this year it is likely to eclipse all previous years in this respect. The figures will not be known definitely for a few days, but it is estimated that during the week ending on Christmas Eve the London Passenger Transport Board carried nearly a hundred million people on its various services. Long distance passengers by rail were more numerous than ever before, while the medium-distance coach services were busy, and though the air services were hindered to

COAL-CATTLE PACT RENEWED

No Change in Quantity, but Coal May Be Dearer

READJUSTMENTS EXPECTED IN MINOR DETAILS

THE renewal of the Coal-Cattle Pact for another year is indicated in an official announcement issued by the Department for Industry and Commerce.

The official communiqué shows that the virtual monopoly which the British mines have enjoyed for several years for the supply of coal for the Free State is being continued for another year, the amount of coal being fixed at the same quantity.

The announcement is in the following terms:—

"Pending the completion of discussions regarding the continuance of the existing arrangement between the Saorstat and British Governments, an Order has been made by the Executive Council, under the Control of Imports Acts, appointing 3,114,000 (three million one hundred and fourteen thousand) tons of coal, culm, shale or slack as the quota for the period from the 1st February, 1938, to the 31st January, 1939.

"Of the quota so appointed 3,113,000 (three million one hundred and thirteen thousand) tons shall consist of coal, culm, shale or slack produced in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and consigned to the importer from that country."

CONCESSIONS NOT KNOWN

What concessions, if any, may be made in respect of Free State produce going isto Britain or Northern Ireland is not yet known. This part of the previous arrangement was not made known till February 25, when President de Valera informed the Dail, by way of a statement after questions, that certain adjustments had been made for the regulation of exports of cattle and bacon entering the United Kingdom. The British Government had agreed to remove the special duty of 20 per cent. on live horses from the Free State. The Free State Government on its part had agreed to remove existing emergency duties on sugar and subsidiary products of United Kingdom origin.

The discussions now proceeding are being carried out by Mr. J. Dulanty, the High Commissioner in London, on the part of the Free State.

As in previous years, there have been hopes of a wider settlement and the conclusion of a general trade agreement, but there appears to be no prospect of the realisation of these hopes, on the present occasion at all events. The most that is expected is some readjustment of minor details.

It is not improbable that there may be some discussions between the contracting parties as to the price at which coal will be bought at the pithead. That there may be an increase in price is thought likely, in view of the conditions at present existing in the coal areas.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BROADCAST TO U.S.A.

END OF NOTABLE YEAR

AN APPEAL TO THE YOUTH

"THE year that is now drawing to a close has been for us a notable one. It will stand for ever in our history as the year in which our people enacted and first gave to themselves a free Constitution, which we hope is the earnest of a fuller harvest of the fruits of centuries of fidelity and sacrifice."

This is an excerpt from the address which was broadcast from Athlone to the United States on Christmas Eve, and to the Irish nation on Christmas Day, by Mr. de Valera, President of the Executive Council.

The President said:—"I am happy that it is again my privilege to convey Eire's greetings to her scattered children, and to express the prayer that every one of them, wherever they may be—here at home or elsewhere throughout the world—may have a holy and a happy Christmas in the company of those they love. I am glad also to be able to convey our greeting to the many friends of Ireland in America who gave us aid in our time of need and who now rejoice with us in the success we have achieved.

"Christmas has always been for our dispersed people the festival of festivals. It is the time at which we are wont to review the past and project the future. This Christmas it is especially fitting that we should do this."

NATIONAL FREEDOM

Having made the statement quoted above, the President said:—"Looking back and contemplating the sorrows of the long night of our national captivity, calling to mind the time not so long ago when the majority of our people in this, their native land, were denied the rights of citizenship, were forbidden to practice their religion or to educate their children—were forbidden almost to exist—we who have seen this day cannot but thank God with all our hearts that He has seen fit to preserve our nation through all its persecution, that He gave ear to the supplications of our tortured fathers, and brought us at last to this glorious dawn. The freedom we have gained, even though it is not the freedom of the whole nation, imposes its obligations.

"Once again it is given us to shape our national destinies to great ends. Once again we can make of our country a home of culture and of learning, a university of life and of right living. We can make of it a land where true knowledge is turned to high purposes, where a new order fashioned to our own needs makes life noble and happy, where vigilance, discipline and devotion make it secure guarding the freedom that has been won.

A GREAT DESTINY

"To achieve these aims we need wisely to plan and patiently to perfect. The rebuilding of a nation's life cannot be the work of a day. We must, above all, make sure to begin upon the right foundations. Upon the character moulded in our children and developed in our young people—our young men and our young women—will depend whether this dream of a great destiny will, or will not, be realised—this dream which has abided with our people through all their tribulations and the frustration of which was the most poignant element in their sorrow. Upon the hearthstone then the foundations must be laid if they are to be permanent and secure. To the children is our chief responsibility. And you, the youth of our country who may be listening to me, you for whom your fathers suffered and endured and remained faithful unto death, you who are now standing upon the threshold of a new era with life opening before you as a splendid enterprise, remember that to no generation of Irishmen for hundreds of years have come the opportunities that now are yours.

The inestimable heritage of a great tradition has been handed down to you, but you yourselves must give it life by your own services and by your own devotion.

VOLUNTARY DISCIPLINE

In other countries, by a discipline imposed by the State the youth are banded together to work for their country's welfare. Will you, by a discipline voluntarily assumed, not be ready to fit yourselves to play your part in the vanguard of a disciplined people? Be your code reverence for sacred things, obedience to right authority, moral integrity and a sense of public duty, and that code will soon be the code of all our people and our nation will again shine and be an example to the other nations of the world. I must now bid you good-bye.

The address to the Irish nation was a recording of that given on the previous day to the U.S.A.

THE CONSTITUTION

The full text of the new Constitution is given in Pages 12 and 13.

'BUS AND TAXI-CAB COLLIDE

TWO MEN INJURED IN DUBLIN

Michael Walsh, taxi driver, of Mayor street, North Wall, Dublin, and James Smith, of Lower Gardiner street, were injured when a Great Northern Railway Company 'bus and a taxi driven by Walsh, were in collision at the junction of Lower Gardiner and Sean McDermott streets, last night. The 'bus was coming from Dundalk, and had eighteen passengers on board. It struck the taxi a glancing blow, stripping one side almost completely off it and crashed through the railings outside a house.

Smith was struck by the 'bus as it crashed into the railings. Both men were treated at Jervis Street Hospital and were later able to leave.

The 'bus received some damage to the radiator and front wheels and wings.

BRITISH STEAMER IN COLLISION

GERMAN VESSEL SUNK

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Sunday.

A collision between a British steamer and a small German vessel on the Lower Elbe on Christmas Eve, which led to the sinking of the German boat, was announced here to-night.

The British vessel was the 1,108 tons steamer Blyth, which collided in a dense fog with the German boat Otto Wulf, which plies between Hamburg and Cuxhaven.

The collision occurred near the Pagensand Island, in the Elbe river. The British steamer, it is reported, was only slightly damaged, but the Otto Wulf sank, and her crew was rescued.

Dense fog covering the Lower Elbe and North Sea coast held up many vessels with passengers who wanted to be home for Christmas.

Constable A. Guinan, R.U.C., Rathfriland, has been found not guilty by the court of inquiry which sat at Rathfriland on the 16th inst. to investigate a charge preferred against him by Sergeant Wolseley to the effect that he was drunk when returning to barracks off duty on the evening of November 2.

THE SENATE ELECTION

NEW ACT NOW IN OPERATION

THE SELECTION OF NOMINATING BODIES

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

THE Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) Act, 1937, came into force on December 21, when it was signed by the Chairman of Dail Eireann.

Persons who contemplate becoming candidates for the new Senate are now busy, and there will be much activity in Departmental quarters in preparing the various documents necessary for the election. It is essential that the Senate shall be completed early because of the fact that Senators will have certain privileges in connection with the election of the President. Any twenty members of the House may nominate a candidate for the Presidency.

The list of nominating bodies will be compiled in the first instance. Bodies which consider themselves eligible for inclusion in this must make application in the proper quarter before January 24. The Appeals Committee will be appointed probably on the first day that the Dail meets after the Christmas recess. County Councils and Borough Councils must select their seven electors before January 31. When these have been selected the names will be sent to the Seanad Returning Officer, who will publish them in the prescribed way.

The nominating bodies will have an important influence on the composition of the various panels, which are to elect the 43 elected Senators, and there will, therefore, be strong competition for places on it. In the event of appeal the decision of the Seanad Returning Officer will be final. This official will publish in the morning newspapers a notice indicating that the preparation of the register of nominating bodies is in progress, and giving necessary information as to the steps to be taken. Very little time will be available for the hearing of disputes by the Appeals Committee.

NINE DEAD IN ASYLUM

CHRISTMAS DAY FIRE

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

NINE bodies have been recovered from the ruins of a lunatic asylum at Montredon, near Le Puy, Central France, following a fire which destroyed the building. The asylum housed 135 inmates.

The victims had been locked in special cells for violent lunatics, and could not be released owing to the rapid spread of the blaze.

The fire broke out at about 8.30 p.m. on Christmas Day in the basement of the male patients' wing, in which 135 were asleep. The warders immediately took steps to evacuate them.

The outbreak was under control at about 10 p.m., but, although search parties immediately got to work, the bodies were not reached until 11 o'clock on Sunday.

The intense heat had reduced the corpses to ash and calcined bones.

EXPLOSIVE FACTORY FIRE

BRIGADES HELD UP FOR TWO HOURS

Seven hundred employés at the Nobel Explosive Company's factory at Polmont, Falkirk, were hurried from work without their pay on Christmas Eve when fire broke out at the works.

Falkirk Fire Brigade and the works' brigade were not allowed to operate for two hours, as there were intermittent explosions in various huts throughout the factory. Fortunately the fire was discovered in time for all the employés to be removed before the rapid series of explosions occurred.

Firemen prevented the flames from reaching the powder magazine and the main factory.

Considerable damage was caused to six sheds, including the detonator magazine, and probably seven or eight tons of explosives were destroyed.

As a precautionary measure, passenger trains on the line between Glasgow and Edinburgh were held up, as flames shot across the lines which run near the factory. One train from Glasgow to Edinburgh was within a few hundred yards of the spot where a sheet of flame licked across the track before it was realised that the line was impassable. The train was stopped and had to reverse for six miles to make a detour by Grahamstone, causing a delay of over an hour.

Other trains on the route had to lengthen their journeys by travelling through Grahamstone.

The fire is being officially investigated.

MINISTER TO ITALY

MR. MICHAEL MacWHITE MENTIONED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Friday.

It was learned in reliable quarters here to-day that Mr. Michael MacWhite, Irish Free State Minister to the United States, will probably go to Rome as Dublin's first Minister to Italy.

Mr. Robert Brennan, Secretary of the Washington Legation, will succeed him, it is said.

There will be no other changes in the Irish Free State's diplomatic representations in the United States.

NEW INDIAN PICTORIAL STAMPS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CALCUTTA (by Air Mail).

Indian post offices have issued a series of George VI. pictorial stamps. The stamps depict the history of mail transport in India from camels to aeroplanes.

The issue is very popular, and Calcutta alone sold more than £2,250 worth of the stamps in one day. At the General Post Office they fetched nearly £1,052, more than twice the amount yielded on the corresponding date of last year.

£7,000 JEWEL RAID

BURGLARS IN K.C.'S MANSION

EARL'S SISTER AMONG THE VICTIMS

ROBBERY WHILE BAND PLAYED CAROLS

WHILE a band was playing carols to the guests, jewels valued at nearly £7,000 were stolen from Putteridge Bury, Luton, Bedfordshire, the mansion home of Sir Felix Cassel, K.C., on Christmas Eve.

Sir Felix was entertaining a large house party.

RUBIES AND DIAMONDS

The thieves entered through an upstairs window by a ladder and secured a haul of gems, which included valuable pearl necklaces and necklaces of rubies and diamonds.

The bulk of the stolen property belonged to Sir Felix Cassel's sister, Mrs. Jenkins, of Andover, Hants, who, with her husband, Colonel A. E. Jenkins; Sir Felix and Lady Helen Cassel and three of their children, comprised the party. Lady Helen Cassel is a sister of the Earl of Verulam.

The robbery was carried out while the Luton Band, former holders of the National Band Championship, were playing carols in the hall to the house party and servants.

POLICE HUNT

Scotland Yard and police forces throughout the home counties spent the Christmas week-end trying to trace the gang believed to be concerned. A description has been widely circulated.

The house stands well away from the road in a wooded area, and the police regard the robbery as the work of a well-organised gang who were thoroughly acquainted with the estate and the layout of the mansion.

As soon as the alarm was given a police cordon was drawn round the district, but the gang were able to get away.

THIEVES HAD A CAR

Among the jewels taken were a valuable pearl necklace belonging to Mrs. Jenkins, containing 169 graduated pearls; Sir Felix's baronet's badge, and from Lady Helen a small watch a £1 note and two small brooches. It is thought that the gang had a car hidden in one of the country lanes at the back of the estate.

They secured a ladder from a near by farm, and entered Sir Felix's bedroom by breaking a window. Afterwards they moved the ladder to Mrs. Jenkins's window, and entered in the same way.

A long piece of coconut matting was found hanging from an upstairs window probably ready for a quick get-away.

ROYAL GUESTS

The mansion, which stands in a woody park, was also raided seven years ago when a collection of Orders and decorations and a case of old miniature medals were stolen. A reward of £500 was offered by Sir Felix for the recovery. King George V. was a frequent guest at Putteridge Bury, which possesses some of the best partridge shooting in England. King Edward VII. also had visited it during the shooting season.

Sir Felix Cassel, who is 68, was created a Baronet in 1920.

The large number of big jewel house robberies in the past two years include £12,000 worth from Gwernyfgd Park, Breconshire, the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Farquhar, on Coronation Day, and £12,000 worth from Lord Rothermere's house in Avenue road, St. John's Wood, London.

FALL OF TERUEL

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

Republican forces in Teruel have taken the old infantry barracks, St. John's Church, the Prefecture, a hospital and the Treasury offices, says a Havas telegram from Puebla de Valverde.

The following is the latest *communiqué* from Insurgent Headquarters at Salamanca:—

"The heroic resistance of Teruel continues, the enemy having suffered heavily in all his attacks against our positions.

"In the meantime, inflicting heavy punishment on the Government troops, our relief columns have continued their advance.

"Two enemy aeroplanes have been shot down. They fell behind our lines."

JAPAN'S LAST "ELDER STATESMAN" ILL

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

TOKYO, Sunday.

Anxiety for Prince Kimmochi Saionji, the last of Japan's "elder statesmen," who is ill, was allayed to-day by a favourable medical report.

Prince Saionji is suffering from a feverish cold, and the illness is taking its normal course. Prince Saionji is frequently consulted by the Japanese Cabinet on important matters of policy.

ENGLAND-BOUND FLYING-BOAT HELD-UP

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

LE HAVRE, Sunday.

The giant four-engined Imperial Airways flying boat Cordelia, England-bound from Africa with one passenger and mails, came down in Le Havre Roads to-day through fog in the Channel.

Le Havre is one of the bases used by Imperial Airways when the weather is bad.

The Cordelia is to continue her flight to-morrow morning.

BALLYMENA MADE A BOROUGH

The *Belfast Gazette* announces that Letters Patent have passed the Great Seal of Northern Ireland granting a Charter of Incorporation to the Mayor, Alderman, and Burgesses of the Borough of Ballymena.

Since the establishment of the Northern Government Charters have been granted to Bangor, Coleraine, and Newtownards.

It is probable that in the near future Lurgan, Larne, Portadown, and Newry may be created Boroughs.

A lock of Thomas Hardy's hair has been tied with ribbon and despatched as a Christmas present to an old lady in America. A Dorchester hairdresser, who cut the famous author's hair and kept several locks, has, at the request of an old customer, parted with one of them to be sent to this Hardy enthusiast in the United States.

EXPLOSIONS AT TYRONE FIRE

SHOPS AND STOCK DESTROYED

CHURCH ESCAPES INJURY

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

OMAGH, Sunday.

DAMAGE estimated at many thousands of pounds was caused on Christmas morning by a fire which broke out at the premises of Messrs. W. J. Kyle and Sons, drapers and general merchants, at the Diamond, Castlederg, Co. Tyrone.

The fire began at the stores, which held a private electric lighting plant and two motor cars, which were destroyed. The wind carried the flames into the main building. Mr. William Kyle (junior), his wife and maid escaped without injury. Members of the R.U.C. and townspeople helped to fight the fire, which threatened the whole street.

Londonderry Corporation Fire Brigade made a twenty-six mile run, and lines of hose were laid from the Rover Derg at the end of the town.

Flames leaped into the air as the fire struck barrels of turpentine and other inflammable stock. Several explosions were heard, sparks were driven over the town by the wind, and the heat became so intense that men removing stores and furniture from neighbouring premises were only able to work with difficulty and in considerable danger.

The fire was confined to Messrs. Kyle's block, and when the brigade was withdrawn on Christmas morning nothing remained but bare walls.

Castlederg Methodist Church, on the south side of the premises, escaped with slight damage to glass and woodwork at the entrance.

THE PANAY OUTRAGE

U.S. ACCEPTS JAPAN'S APOLOGY

AMERICA'S acceptance of the Japanese apology over the Panay incident, as expressed in the Note sent to Tokyo on Saturday, has been received with satisfaction by the Japanese Government.

Mr. Hirota, the Japanese Foreign Minister, declared yesterday: "It is a matter for congratulation that the incident has reached an amicable settlement through the friendly spirit prevailing between the United States and Japan."

But although the United States Government has accepted the Japanese apologies, its Note leaves no doubt that it will closely watch Japan's future conduct.

LOOKING AHEAD

Diplomatic circles in Washington believe that the fact that the news reels of the Panay sinking are shortly to be shown in cinemas throughout the country influenced the administration to terminate the incident with an acceptance of the Japanese apologies before national feelings were further exacerbated.

It is felt that if future events should prove the Japanese guarantees worthless the President, having gone to the limits of concession once, will be in a position to adopt the sternest measures the moment further provocation occurs.

The last paragraph of the United States Note is considered in Washington to be the keynote of the affair, reading—"It is the earnest hope of the United States Government that the steps which the Japanese Government has taken will prove effective towards preventing further attacks or unlawful interference with American nationals' interests or property in China."

This is considered to indicate that acceptance of the apologies is tempered by implied reservations regarding America's future course if there should be further interference with her rights.

Coinciding with the issue of the United States Note was the reliable report that the United States Embassy in Nanking would shortly be reopened, and that the United States gunboat Oahu would take over the Yangtse patrol duties formerly exercised by the Panay.

The United States Government is not withdrawing any troops or ships from China, being determined rather to reinforce its position there.

JAPAN BLOCKADES TSINGTAO

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

SHANGHAI, Sunday.

Admiral Hasegawa, who is in command of the Japanese Fleet in Chinese waters, announces that Tsingtao, hitherto the only Chinese port to be excluded from the Japanese blockade of the Chinese coast, will henceforth be included in the blockade.

This is the first reprisal for the burning of Japanese mills in Tsingtao.

KING HOLDS PRIVY COUNCIL

ASSENT TO MARRIAGE OF PRINCESS

The King held a Privy Council at Sandringham House last night. The Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent, and the Earl of Athlone (the King's uncle), were present, and Sir Eric Mieville (Assistant Private Secretary to the King) deputised for the Clerk to the Council.

The Council meeting lasted less than a quarter of an hour. It was the second Privy Council to be held by the King in five days.

The Press Association understands that the King in Council gave his formal assent to the marriage of Princess Frederika of Brunswick to Prince Paul of Greece.

The couple are to be married at Athens on January 9th and, as the Princess is a great-grand daughter of Queen Victoria, the King's assent is necessary before the marriage can take place under the terms of the Royal Marriages Act.

AGROUND IN CHRISTMAS FOG

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

The crew of thirty-nine were taken off the Melbourne freighter Saros (3,304 tons) when she went aground on Christmas night in a fog on the rocks off Cape Everard.

It is feared that the Saros, which belonged to Australian Steamships Proprietary, Limited, may be a total loss.

WORLD LISTENS TO THE KING'S VOICE

Touching Reference to Father's Broadcasts

"I CANNOT ASPIRE TO TAKE HIS PLACE"

KING GEORGE VI., seated alone in his study on the ground floor at Sandringham House, broadcast his Christmas Day message of greeting to the Empire—and the world listened.

Simple dignity and sincerity were the keynote of his speech of exactly 262 words.

It was prefaced by a touching reference to "my father's Christmas broadcasts," and the happiness they had brought into the homes and hearts of listeners all over the world.

A significant sentence on this subject was: "I cannot aspire to take his place. Nor do I think that you would wish me to carry on, unvaried, a tradition so personal to him."

The King emphasised that his broadcast was not to be regarded as a perpetuation of his father's broadcasts, but as a further expression of gratitude for the "love and loyalty" of the Empire sent on "the first Christmas after our Coronation."

Then came a reference to shadows of enmity and fear over parts of the world, a plea for the "Christmas message of peace and goodwill" . . . a quiet and homely word of greeting . . . and the speech ended.

His Majesty, who was introduced by Mr. Stuart Hibberd, the B.B.C. Chief Announcer, spoke through two microphones, placed in pedestals of Australian walnut on the desk in front of him.

On a third pedestal a red warning light glowed as soon as the microphones were "alive," and the little room was connected through the land lines leading from the Court Post Office with the entire English-speaking world.

The King had lunched with the members of his family and the rest of the Royal house party, with roast Norfolk turkey as the main dish served, followed by plum pudding.

ALONE AT MICROPHONE

A few minutes before he was due to speak he went alone to his "broadcast study," while the Queen, Queen Mary and Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margeret gathered round a loud-speaker specially installed in another part of the house.

In a room adjoining the King's study Mr. R. H. Wood, of the B.B.C., sat at the control panel, in charge of the amplifying equipment. He was supervisor of the technical side of each of the Christmas broadcasts by King George V.

When the King had finished his speech he watched the red light on his desk wane, and then left to rejoin the Queen and his family.

The King took exactly four minutes to make his broadcast. He spoke slowly and deliberately at an average speed of over 65 words per minute, with scarcely any hesitation.

At the beginning of his broadcast a trace of nervousness could be detected in the King's voice, but towards the end it became firmer and stronger, so that many listeners recalled vividly the slow, strong tones of his father.

A TRACE OF EMOTION

There was a trace of emotion in the King's voice as he referred to those of his listeners "at home among your families, as we are," and his mind at that moment must have gone to those close and dear to him, sitting not far away in the big house at Sandringham listening to his words.

As the strokes of Big Ben ceased chiming three the announcer's voice was heard saying: "This is London. The King is at Sandringham, and it is from there that we are now to broadcast His Majesty's Christmas message to the Empire at home and overseas. Then came the National Anthem, and a few seconds after it had finished the King's voice was heard. When the King had concluded there was silence for a second or two, and then the National Anthem was played for the second time.

HEARD THE RECORD

Later in the afternoon, when the King had rejoined the rest of the Sandringham house party, he heard his speech played back to him from the special records that were taken as he spoke.

This was the shortest Royal Christmas message ever broadcast. The King began to speak at one minute past three and finished at five minutes past.

At Westminster Abbey, in the heart of his Empire, a crowded congregation stood in silence throughout the King's broadcast, which, for the first time, was relayed to the Abbey and also to St. Paul's. The King's words echoed clear and resonant through these lofty and hallowed spaces.

HOW THE WORLD HEARD

Reports received by the B.B.C. indicate that the King's Christmas message was well received all over the world. The reports are:—

Cape Town and Johannesburg (South Africa)—100 per cent.
Nairobi and Kenya—Excellent.
Sierra Leone—Perfect.
Buenos Aires—Excellent (the King's message was re-transmitted by the Argentine stations).
Bermuda—Excellent.
Montreal—Good.
Barbados—Perfect.
Jamaica—Excellent.
Melbourne—Perfect.
New York—Excellent.
Wellington N.Z.—100 per cent. clear, perfect conditions.
Turk's Island, W. Indies—Good.
Accra, Gold Coast—Excellent.
Hong Kong—Excellent.
Lagos, Nigeria—Excellent.
India—Satisfactory.

Jane and Hale Roman, seven and three years old, were killed on their farm home in New York State when they handled a small electric heater into the tub in which they were bathing. The children were discovered unconscious in the tub by their mother. Both were pronounced dead two hours later by a doctor after firemen had tried unsuccessfully to revive them.

What The King Said

The text of the King's message was:—

Many of you will remember the Christmas broadcasts of former years, when my father spoke to his peoples at home and overseas as the revered head of a great family.

His words brought happiness into the homes and into the hearts of listeners all over the world.

I cannot aspire to take his place—nor do I think that you would wish me to carry on, unvaried, a tradition so personal to him. But, as this is the first Christmas since our Coronation, the Queen and I feel that we want to send to you all a further word of gratitude for the love and loyalty you gave us from every quarter of the Empire during this unforgettable year, now drawing to its end.

We have promised to try and be worthy of your trust, and this is a pledge that we shall always keep.

As we look back on the year now closing we see over parts of the world the shadows of enmity and fear, but let us turn to the message that Christmas brings of peace and goodwill. Let us see to it that this spirit shall in the end prevail, and every one of us can help by making that immortal message the keystone of our daily lives.

And so to all of you, whether at home among your families, as we are, or in hospital, or at your posts carrying out duties that cannot be left undone, we send our Christmas greetings, and wish you, under God's blessing, health and prosperity in the years that lie ahead.

FUTURE BROADCASTS UNLIKELY

The Press Association understands that in Court circles the King's reference to his father's broadcasts, in which he said that he did not think his people would wish to carry on unvaried a tradition so personal to King George V., is regarded as an indication that further Christmas broadcasts by the King are unlikely.

TYPHOID OUTBREAK IN ANTRIM

HOSPITAL NURSES AFFECTED

A mild form of typhoid, known as "para-B," has broken out in the Mental Hospital, Antrim, and two nurses and six patients have been infected.

The source of the outbreak is not definitely known, but experts who have tested the hospital's milk and water supplies have excluded these from the possible sources. It is believed that the disease was brought into the hospital by a carrier.

The first case was detected on Saturday week last, and shortly afterwards the other seven women, all in the one ward, were found to be suffering from the disease. They have all been isolated and are doing very well. No further case has been reported.

Every precaution is being taken to prevent the epidemic from spreading, and nobody is admitted to the hospital except on business.

The medical authorities of the hospital state that the disease usually runs a course of about six weeks, and it will be necessary to take precautions against spreading the disease for that period.

Up to noon yesterday one new case of typhoid was notified at Croydon, bringing the total to 288. The number of deaths remains at twenty-eight.

According to the Berlin *Nachtangabe*, the hip bone of a mammoth was found by men at work on the new underground railway, 70 feet under the Potsdammerstrasse, Berlin's busiest traffic centre. The find was taken to the Maerkische Museum, where experts estimated that the bone was some 35,000 years old.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER

Cloudy. Local drizzle. Mild.

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HOW DUBLIN SPENT CHRISTMAS

HEAVY RAIL AND BOAT TRAFFIC

HOTELS CROWDED WITH GUESTS

LARGE CONGREGATIONS IN THE CHURCHES

IN one respect, at any rate, this Christmas was unique. Postmen, some of them for the first time for fourteen years, ate their Christmas dinners at home with the members of their families

The staff at the Dublin sorting office, Pearse street, remained on duty until 11 p.m. on Christmas Eve, making up mails for despatch to the provinces to-day, and then they, too, went off duty. The night mails from Galway, Cork, Wexford and Belfast on Christmas Eve, as well as the English mail which arrived on Christmas morning, were sorted at midnight, and there will be a general delivery of letters and parcels throughout the Free State to-day.

Post Office officials state that there was a good response to the "post early" campaign, on which the success of the experiment depends. Collections from Dublin and district on Christmas Eve were very light, and although staffs were kept working at high pressure up to a late hour the thought of the following day's rest spurred their efforts.

The weather on Christmas Day was fine and mild, and the fog which descended on Dublin as evening wore on caused little vehicular difficulty, for there were few motor cars or pedestrians about.

Christmas trains bound for the West, North and South were crowded on Christmas Eve, a great number of the passengers being Irish people working in England coming home for a brief holiday. Extra cross-Channel steamers were put on service on all the main routes to cope with the increased traffic.

Nearly 4,500 people, mostly from England, landed at Dun Laoghaire from Holyhead by the London, Midland and Scottish boats.

Hotels were more crowded than ever, and no effort was spared by the managements to make the guests' stay an enjoyable one. Hundreds of people danced in the gaily decorated Aberdeen Hall of the Gresham Hotel on Christmas Eve, and many more are expected to-night and on New Year's Eve. There were private "house" dances at Jury's Hotel and specially arranged musical evenings on Christmas Eve and Christmas Night at the Salthill Hotel, County Dublin. At Ross's Hotel, Dun Laoghaire, there were whist drives on Christmas Eve, a concert from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Christmas Day, followed by a gala dinner at 7 p.m. and dancing and bridge until midnight. Yesterday there was another concert and bridge for the guests. At the Grand Hotel, Greystones, County Wicklow, there was dancing every afternoon and night. On Christmas Day many visitors took part in a paper chase, others attending a Christmas tree party. Attractive prizes were awarded for a table tennis tournament. To-night there will be a fancy dress ball from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

To-night at the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, there will be a dance. Special Christmas programmes were broadcast from Radio Athlone.

IN THE CHURCHES

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

"The true Christmas spirit can be carried into daily living all the year round if," said the Archbishop of Dublin, in his Christmas Day sermon in Christ Church Cathedral, "we observe St. Paul's rule: 'And be ye kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.'"

Their thoughts that day were of the birth of Christ—but they thought of that birth not merely as an event in time, but as the supreme intervention of God in human history. This birth was God's gift to men—God's supreme gift, God's characteristic gift, in three respects an illustration of the way in which God gave. First, it was the gift of Himself. Secondly, it was a self-surrendering. Thirdly, it was in advance of anything man did to deserve it. There was within the Godhead such a unity of nature and will and aim that God's giving of His Son implied a going forth of the entire Godhead in love and service.

"God's gift," said his Grace, "involves God Himself. How often does it happen that a gift between man and man is a substitute for the giving of self, a substitute for the giving of anything that really counts. But not so with God's gift. When God gave He kept back nothing—the scale of His giving was prodigally princely. . . . . The supreme thought in the Incarnation is that God did not send another. He came."

They had in Christmas the tidings of no happy accident, no mere human story, but of a direct and purposed intervention of God Himself in the affairs of mankind, an act of grace or free giving, whereby God was made man, and the God-Man stooped to live our life and to die our death.

People often thought that theology was abstract and remote, but they were mistaken. Christian theology was intensely practical and very near to life. They had an illustration of that fact in the text: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Jesus Christ" (Phil. 2, 5). St. Paul was appealing to the Church people at Philippi to resist what was evidently a marked local failing, the tendency to self-seeking and contentious rivalry. Suddenly he transported his hearers from the petty bickerings and self-assertions of the Church at Philippi into the inmost and timeless counsels of the Godhead in the Heaven of Heavens.

THE GIVING OF GIFTS

Was it not a strange thing that the swollen self-esteem of the Church people of Philippi was in God's inspiring providence so used, and was allowed to serve as the occasion for the declaration of one of the profoundest theological statements concerning the Incarnation of the eternal Son of God which the Bible contained? And yet it was so. Christ Jesus being "in the form of God thought it not robbery to be equal with God." He voluntarily submitted to restrictions, to subjections, to obscuring of His glory. And He, who was in the form of God, took upon Him the form of a servant.

"God made a move towards us; God accepted all the risk. Here was exhibited that grace of God which gave to the Gospel of Jesus Christ its peculiar blessedness. . . . God gives, tells man that He has given, and invites man to enter upon the inheritance and take what has been given. And it is because of this beforehand action of God's that we live in a redeemed world."

Would they try to remember that Christmas-tide was the commemoration of God's crowning fact of givingness and that it was that gift of God's which stood behind and prompted every Christmas gift they gave! The fact that they all gave to one another that day was a tremendous witness to the impression Christ had made upon the world; but let them remember that Christ's gift taught them not merely that they must give, but what they must give. Their own giving to one another must a self-giving which served by love and could yield, and not insist upon its own rights.

OTHER SERVICES

There was a big congregation at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Christmas morning, when the preacher was the Dean. On Christmas Eve the Carol Service was very well attended. Dr. G. Hewson was at the organ. Yesterday morning the preacher at the Cathedral was the Rev. C. B. Armstrong, Warden of St. Andrew's College.

In virtually all the other Protestant churches the services were taken by the incumbents, and, in the absence of rain and cold, the congregations were numerically strong

ABBEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In the Abbey Presbyterian Church on Christmas Day seasonable hymns were sung, and the offering was devoted to the benevolent fund of the congregation. Mr. W. S. Greig, Mus.Bac., was at the organ, and the Service was conducted by the Rev. J. A. H. Irwin, M.A., D.Ph., of Lucan

In the course of his address he painted the picture of Jeroboam setting up the golden calf at Bethel, not from religious devotion, but under the strain of political necessity. This, he said, was a true picture of the world dictators to-day of all colours, black, brown or red.

Dr. Irwin then quoted from a recent sermon delivered by Dr. Goebels in which he out-Jeroboamed Jeroboam. "It takes no prophet," said the preacher, "to foretell the result." In striking contrast to this was the picture of the Shepherds going to Bethlehem, not under the urge of political necessity, but guided by the heavenly vision. To-day they must either follow the Shepherds or the Jeroboams; they must worship either the Babe of Bethlehem or the Baals of Bethel; they must make their choice and take their stand.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

CORPORATION AT THE PRO-CATHEDRAL

Roman Catholic Churches in the city had crowded congregations during Christmas Day, Masses being celebrated hourly from 6 a.m. until noon. Solemn High Mass was offered up in several churches at midnight.

In accordance with custom, the Lord Mayor and members of the Dublin Corporation, attired in their robes, attended Solemn High Mass in the Pro-Cathedral at noon on Christmas Day. The Most Rev. Dr. Wall, Bishop of Thasos, presided over a very large congregation. The celebrant was the Rev. F. Kenny, C.C., and he was assisted by the Rev. J. Beirne, C.C. (deacon); the Rev. T. Murphy, C.C. (sub-deacon); and the Very Rev. M. E. Murphy, Adm. (master of ceremonies). The sermon was preached by the Rev. T. Condon, C.C., and the music of the Mass was sung by the Palestrina Choir, under Dr. Vincent O'Brien; the organist being Mr. T. Madden.

Following the ceremony, the Lord Mayor and members of the Corporation assembled in the Presbytery, where they were met by the Most Rev. Dr. Wall, who welcomed them on behalf of the Archbishop of Dublin and the priests of the city. It was not in every country, he said, that they found such a demonstration of attachment to the faith, and if they went back sufficiently long in the history of this country they would find a time when representatives of the Corporation could not go to the Cathedral as they now did. It was a proud thing to know that the more liberty they had the more anxious they became to make such professions of faith.

The Lord Mayor, in reply, said the members of the Corporation might differ on many things, but they were at one in the Christmas Day profession.

The Corporators who attended included, in addition to the Lord Mayor and his chaplain, the Very Rev. J. McArdle, P.P., Fairview:—P. J. Hernon, City Manager; Alderman T. Kelly, T.D.; Alderman C. Breathnach, T.D.; Mrs. M. Walsh, Mrs. K. Nix, Captain de Lacey, Messrs. P. Belton, Dr. J. Hannigan, T.D.; P. J. Medlar, J. Gately, W. J. Coleman, R. Lynch, J. J. Coughlan, W. J. O'Hara, J. McCabe, S. Milroy, P. J. Cahill, M. Stafford, D. Healy, J. Cahill, J. Kiernan, T. Breslin and M. J. Staines.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

The vexed question of "cuts" restoration forgotten for one day at least, about 200 Civic Guards stationed at the Depôt, Phœnix Park, Dublin, enjoyed a special dinner, followed by an impromptu concert. The Chief Commissioner, Colonel E. Broy, had attended the Depôt on Christmas Eve, when he awarded prizes for the best-kept rooms, and the Minister for Justice, Mr. P. J. Ruttledge, also paid a brief visit.

About 100 members of the Army, N.C.O.'s and men, were also given special Christmas fare at G.H.Q., McKee Barracks, Dublin, and spent the afternoon in the recreation hall. Commandant T. Ryan, O.C., and Captain W. Thompson, Adjutant, attended

At the Curragh Camp the dining quarters were brightly decorated, and after dinner concerts were held

THE HOSPITALS

There were many entertainments to gladden the hearts of young patients in the hospitals. All children's wards were decorated, many with toy-covered trees. Toys were distributed, and every member of the medical and nursing staffs co-operated in making conditions as merry as possible for both adult and child.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin paid his annual visit to the Royal City of Dublin Hospital, Baggot street, and was conducted through the wards, in each of which he spent a short time chatting with the patients. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul provided one of its enjoyable concerts at this hospital.

Midnight Mass was celebrated in Jervis Street Hospital by the Rev. E. Gallen, C.C., Pro-Cathedral.

The hospital authorities entertained the nursing staffs to the annual Christmas dinner at the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital, and in many other of the institutions throughout the city there were similar seasonal dinners. Special entertainments have been arranged at many of the hospitals for early this week

In addition to the usual feast provided at the hospital, a wonderful Christmas morning treat was given to the patients in the Orthopædic Hospital, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, by Mrs. Wilfred Lamb, Mrs. Gilbert Lamb and Mrs. Gray, wives of directors of the firm of Messrs. Lamb and Co. Employés of the firm also contributed to provide gifts for the patients. Two "Santa Clauses" attended with presents, which included silver wristlet watches and other valuable gifts. Members of the firm also provided a rocking horse, a cinema projector and films. The Rev. T. O'Reilly, Westland Row, presented a crib, and other gifts were made by the doctors, surgeons and a number of business firms.

Christmas Day was celebrated at the Royal Hospital for Incurables in a manner which was much appreciated by the patients, and nothing was left undone to make the day as happy and cheerful as possible.

The wards and corridors were decorated with evergreens and gaily coloured lights, and the spirit of the festive season was evident everywhere.

Among the friends who helped to carve and serve the dinners and visited the wards were:—Sir Walter H. Bovd, Bart., K.C. (Chairman); Mr. A. G. Hollinshead, J.P. (Hon. Treasurer); Miss Mooney, Mr. Edwin N. Edwards, Major Whewell, Mr. A. G. Quirke, Mrs. Walter V. Jones, Mr. W. G. Gardiner, Mr. Raymond Stephenson, Dr. Trevor Smith, Miss Malony, Mr. and Mrs. Sherrard, Mr. W. H. Fry.

All the arrangements were admirably carried out by Miss A. Morton (Lady Superintendent), Miss F. Shaw (Assistant Matron), Dr. Brendan Berney (Resident Medical Officer), Mr. Walter V. Jones (Registrar), the staff sisters and nurses of the hospital.

ST. KEVIN'S HOSPITAL

The little patients in the Children's Infirmary at St. Kevin's Hospital, James's street, Dublin, had one of the brightest days of the year yesterday, when the Lord Mayor entertained them to his annual Christmas party.

Santa Claus went through the decorated wards distributing gifts to the patients who were unable to leave their beds, and over seventy other children patients were treated to tea, fruit, cakes and sweets, and had the joy of receiving gifts from a huge Christmas tree. Later in the evening they listened to an enjoyable concert in the schoolrooms, to which patients of St. Kevin's Hospital were contributors. Other artistes included:—Master T. Donohoe (St. Andrew's choir), Miss Ursula Doyle, Maureen Flanagan and troupe, Marie Eyre and Marie Jordan, Maura Carney, Angela Murray, Lollie Flanagan, Marigold Fallon, Freda Bannon, Miss Connie Ryan's troupe and the babies' troupe.

The Artane Band played selections of music during the afternoon.

The catering was supervised by the Sisters of Mercy and the entertainment was arranged by Mr. R. T. Blackburn, assisted by Dr. W. C. Dwyer, R.M.S.; Dr. Rose McLaverty, Assistant R.M.S., and the Matron, Miss Bermingham.

Among those present were:—The Lord Mayor, the Rev. J. V. Coffey, chaplain; Mrs. M. Walsh, Dr. J. Hannigan, T.D.; Messrs. D. Healy W., J. O'Hara, P. J. Cahill, F. Cummins, Mrs. R. Geraghty, Mrs. Fitzsimons, Miss Smyly, Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. D. Foley and Mrs. Cahill.

Alderman P. J. Medlar played the rôle of Father Christmas.

"The National Syndicate of Beggars," claiming a membership of 1,500,000, has applied to the Labour Department in Mexico City for registration. Officials of the syndicate gave its headquarters as the "entire Republic," and said delegates were now touring Mexico in an effort to increase the membership. The Labour Department spokesman withheld comment.

CHRISTMAS IN THE PROVINCES

LIMERICK CUSTOM BROKEN

MAIL DESPATCHES WERE HEAVY

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Sunday.

THE Christmas season in Cork was a peaceful and uneventful one. Midnight Masses were offered in the city Churches, and there were Masses half hourly until noon on Christmas Day.

At St. Mary's Cathedral the most Rev. Dr. Cohalan, Bishop of Cork, was the celebrant of the Midnight Mass, and he again presided at the High Mass on Christmas Day.

At the Protestant Cathedral there were large congregations at the Services.

The weather improved, and trade was better than last year, although on Christmas Eve, possibly owing to the "post early" campaign, shops were not so busy.

Thick fog settled down on Cork late on Christmas Eve, but Christmas Day and Sunday were fine and mild, with occasional slight drizzle.

Five hundred men were entertained by the Cork Catholic Social Club at the Sharman Crawford Technical Institute. The dinner was followed by an enjoyable concert. Dr. Coholan, Bishop of Cork, who attended with the Lord Mayor, was given an enthusiastic reception, and those present sang "Faith of Our Fathers." The Bishop and the Lord Mayor thanked the members of the club for their generosity in organising the function.

SERVICES IN CORK

In accordance with ancient custom the bells of St. Finbarre's Cathedral, Cork, pealed out at midnight on Christmas Eve to usher in the Christmas festival. There were celebrations of Holy Communion on Christmas morning at 7 and 8 o'clock, when there were large numbers of communicants. Matins were sung at 11 o'clock, followed by a choral celebration of Holy Communion, the celebrant being the Rev. E. P. Mills, and the sermon was preached by the Bishop. Master Bruce Aston sang the solo. At this Service there were again large numbers of communicants. Evensong was sung at 4 o'clock, when the anthems were from "The Messiah," including the "Hallelujah Chorus."

BELLS SILENT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

LIMERICK, Sunday.

In all Limerick churches Christmas Day was observed with special ceremonies. Service was held in St. Mary's Cathedral, where the Bishop, the Right Rev. Dr. Irwin, officiated. There were large congregations at the various Services.

This year Limerick citizens missed the pealing of St. Mary's bells on Christmas Eve. These famous chimes are undergoing repair.

The Most Rev. Dr. Keane preached during High Mass at St. John's Cathedral to large congregations, and in several city churches where midnight Mass was celebrated there were overflowing congregations.

On Christmas Day over 200 men were given dinner in St. John's Pavilion, Limerick, following which a concert was arranged. The Most Rev. Dr. Keane, accompanied by the Rev. Father Kelly, Adm., St. John's, visited the hall, where he was received by the Mayor (Alderman D. Bourke, T.D.) and Mr. J. J. Dundon, solicitor, President of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Dr. Keane wished the men a very happy Christmas, but expressed regret that there was a greater number this year, indicating that there was more unemployment.

The Mayor expressed the hope that more men would get employment in big building undertakings soon to begin in the city.

The Most Rev. Dr. Gilmartin, Archbishop of Tuam, presided at High Mass in the Cathedral at Tuam on Christmas Day, and at the conclusion imparted the Papal Blessing.

The Most Rev Dr. MacNamee, Bishop of Ardagh, celebrated midnight Mass at St. Mel's Cathedral, and on Christmas Day presided at High Mass. Special Services were held at St. John's Church and at the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches.

IN ARMAGH

At Armagh Solemn Pontifical Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve was celebrated by Cardinal MacRory, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, in the presence of a large congregation. The assistant priest was the Very Rev. Thomas Rafferty, C.M., President, St. Patrick's College, and the assistant deacons at the throne were the Rev. Eugene Rice, C.C., Armagh, and the Rev. J. Conran, C.M., St. Patrick's College. The deacon and sub-deacon were the Rev. A. J. Sheridan, C.M., and the Rev. Maurice Carbery, C.M., and the Rev. Leo McDonald, C.M., officiated as master of ceremonies. Cardinal MacRory preached on the Nativity of Our Lord, and at the conclusion administered the Papal Blessing.

On Christmas Day, in the Cathedral, Cardinal MacRory presided at Solemn High Mass, celebrated by the Rev. Joseph Pentony, C.C. The Rev. A. J. Sheridan, C.M., was deacon; the Rev. Leo McDonald, C.M., sub-deacon, and the Rev. Cornelius Murphy, C.M., master of ceremonies. The assistants at the throne were the Very Rev. Thos. Rafferty, C.M., and the Rev. J. Conran, C.M. The devotions concluded with Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, given by the Rev. Father Pentony.

RAILWAY STATION ACCIDENT

FIFTEEN PERSONS INJURED

Fifteen passengers were injured when a train entering Bangor (North Wales) Station from Liverpool on Christmas Eve ran into the back of a stationary train and "shunted" it some forty yards along the line.

All the injured were in the stationary train, most receiving cuts to the face, for which they received treatment in a waiting room.

Five people were taken to hospital, but their injuries were stated to be not serious. They were:—Miss Marjorie Davies, of Rhyl (shock); Miss Nancy Hughes, Rhos-on-Sea (shock and injury to head); Miss Lily Hughes, Caenarvon (shock and injury to head); Mrs. Irene Williams, Llandudno (shock and injury to head), and Mr. Ivor Roberts, Penrhyndendraeth (injury to head).

The front of the stationary train left the track and a breakdown gang had to be called. While efforts were being made to clear the line other tracks were brought into use.

SIX IN BURNING HOUSE

A widow, her four children and her sister were rescued and taken to hospital when fire damaged her home in Langdale street, Liverpool, yesterday.

The rescued are:—The mother, Mrs. Mary Lees, aged 32; Henry Lees, aged 8; Celia, aged 9; Margaret, aged 11; Joseph, aged 13, and Eileen Morrison, aged 15, Mrs. Lees' sister. The wife of Joseph O'Sullivan, who lives opposite, seeing flames in the house aroused her husband. He ran across the street forced open the door and ran upstairs.

After awakening the family he found the staircase had caught fire and their escape was cut off. He gathered all the family in one room and dropped them one by one twelve feet into the arms of neighbours.

The rescued were taken to the Royal Infirmary, but only Henry, the youngest son, was detained suffering from severe laceration through falling on railings outside the house.

When the brigade arrived the rumour spread that another child was inside the house. Firemen immediately put on gas-masks and made a search, but all the family had been rescued.

DUBLIN WOMAN'S INJURIES

Mrs. Brigid O'Connor (18), of Lower Gardiner street, Dublin, was taken to the Mater Misericordiæ Hospital yesterday with wounds in her throat. She was detained and is progressing.

TRADE IN THE NORTH

MESSAGES FROM MINISTERS

PROSPEROUS YEAR ANTICIPATED

MANY ORDERS IN THE SHIPYARDS

THE Northern Minister of Finance (Right Hon. J. M. Andrews), in a Christmas and New Year message, states: "Until the last quarter of the year trade and employment in Northern Ireland had improved considerably, but the decline of business in the linen industry, which set in during the autumn, shows how sensitive is our prosperity to the state of international markets. I feel that we must bend our efforts in 1938 to broadening our industrial structure in order to secure, so far as lies within our power, increased and greater steadiness of employment.

Our Parliament has provided greatly improved facilities both for new industries and existing ones. But facilities, however generous, will not of themselves create more business and employment unless our employers show enterprise and courage and are quick to grasp new opportunities.

My best wishes for 1938 are that we may all work steadily and determinedly together to make the new year a landmark in the expansion of industry and agriculture and the extension of employment.

MINISTER OF LABOUR

The Northern Minister of Labour (the Right Hon. Major D. G. Shillington) states:—

"Many thousands throughout Northern Ireland come into direct touch with the Ministry of Labour, so widespread are the social services administered by the Department. Employers workmen and workwomen, doctors, chemists, teachers, and associations of many kinds, and local authorities—all have dealings with us, and so do those who have reached pension age, and their dependants, wives, widows, and young people. I would like them to feel that, in administering the social services which Parliament has provided and entrusted to the Ministry to carry out, the Department has one aim only—to be helpful."

The Northern Minister of Agriculture (the Right Hon. Sir Basil Brooke, Bart.) states:—"The new industries which the Government is endeavouring to establish in Northern Ireland are an important aspect of our drive towards better times, and much has been, and will be, heard of them. But the drive towards new industries must not lead us to forget the old. Ulster is first and foremost an agricultural province, and Ulster farmers are engaged in the oldest and most honourable, perhaps even the most arduous, of the industries known to man. I hope that in this coming year we will not slacken in our joint endeavours to improve both the quality and the quantity of our produce, and so to give it the assurance of a wide and stable cross-Channel market."

NEW YEAR PROSPECTS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Sunday.

Northern Ireland faces the new year with a fairly satisfactory outlook for trade and industry, notwithstanding the fact that there are about 80,000 persons unemployed. Energetic efforts are being made to attract new industries to Northern Ireland and broaden the basis of industrial activity in the province. At present, it is felt, that the industrial life of the province is not entirely satisfactory to several main industries, such as linen, shipbuilding and agriculture.

The new aeroplane factory which has been established by Messrs. Short and Harland has begun production, and is now employing about 1,200 operatives, and it is hoped that in the coming year this number will be increased and that the aeroplane factory, as an industrial unit, will take the place eventually of the shipyard of Messrs. Workman, Clark, Ltd., which was closed down under the shipbuilding rationalisation scheme.

Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., at present employ between 14,000 and 15,000 men, and they will begin the new year with nine vessels on the building slips at Belfast or on order and four at the fitting-out wharfs, as well as the remainder of the re-powering contract of the five Union-Castle liners. This will ensure a considerable amount of employment during the coming year, while one or two more naval ships are expected to be placed at the Belfast yard in the 1938 programme of naval reconstruction.

The linen industry is looking forward to a more prosperous year's trade, and it is hoped that the demand from the United States, the largest export market, will be stimulated by the new trade agreement between Great Britain and America which is now being negotiated

PRIMATE'S ADDRESS AT ARMAGH

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ARMAGH, Sunday.

Speaking at the Christmas Day Service in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, the Primate of All Ireland, the Most Rev. Dr. D'Arcy, asked was there any more touching thing about Christmas than that the very simplest things of home were brought into relationship with the highest and holiest. Motherhood and infancy were consecrated for all ages. The simplest things of daily life were given the deepest meaning—the daily washing with water became baptism, the daily bread became Holy Communion. To-day they had the overwhelming sense of the immensity of creation, and they must feel that behind everything there was the universal mind.

In the language of the Scriptures, they were in the image of God and the shortness of their lives was as nothing compared with their spiritual lives.

DANGEROUS FIREWORK

RETURNED AFTER BROADCAST S.O.S.

About an hour after the B.B.C. had broadcast an urgent warning on Christmas Eve in an effort to prevent the ignition of a firework served by mistake in a Folkestone store the firework had been returned.

The purchaser, a woman, was given a canister firework, described as "a mine of fiery serpents." An outdoor type, this might have caused fire injury or panic if discharged indoors. It was the first S.O.S. of its kind ever broadcast.

SUDDEN DEATH IN COUNTY DUBLIN

Timothy Smith (60), of Kilmacud, Stillorgan, County Dublin, collapsed in a shop in Blackrock, County Dublin, last night and was dead when taken to Monkstown Hospital.

BISHOP PRAYS FOR PEACE

THE FUTILITY OF WAR

GREAT NATIONS IN THE WILDERNESS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ENNIS, Sunday.

THE world at the present day is full of confusion and misery, with its wars and rumours of wars, social unrest, unemployment and poverty all over the globe, said the Most Rev. Dr. Fogarty, Bishop of Killaloe, at Ennis Cathedral on Christmas Day.

The real and ultimate cause of this bewildering confusion, he said, is to be found in the lamentable fact that the present nations of the world which once had been Christian have turned away from Jesus Christ and taken Mammon for their God. They have lost sight of the Star of Bethlehem and are wandering in the wilderness without a guide. The result is that we can say of them what St. Paul said of the great pagan world of his own time, and anyone who knows history will recognise readily how similar are the prevailing conditions of both eras. "They have changed," says the apostle, "the truth of God into a lie and worshipped and served the creative rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever," with the result that God would seem to have "delivered them to darkness and the reprobate sense," mentioned by the great apostle. The nations of the world are sick at heart and know not where to find a remedy for the evils that harass them. Wars will not save them, neither will revolution. There is but one remedy, though it will be denounced as a useless platitude to say so, but it is an everlasting and eternal truth, there will be no remedy, no solution of our human troubles until the nations of the earth come back to Jesus Christ and learn the stupendous lesson of unworldliness preached by the Crib at Bethlehem.

Let us earnestly pray that God may look with pity on the ungrateful world and shed His divine light once more on the hearts of those He died to save, and, above all, may He save our own country from the blighting curse of secularism. May He bless with success the efforts of all those who are struggling, like General Franco, in Spain, at tremendous sacrifices to themselves, to keep the light and the Cross of Christ alive and aloft in at least one great nation of Europe.

TYRONE FARMER KILLED

MANY SERIOUS ACCIDENTS

At an inquest at Omagh on Friday evening on William Glass, farmer, Aughalane, Plumbridge, who died in hospital following injuries received when a horse he was driving got out of control, evidence was given that a wheel of the cart passed over the man. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

FARMER BURNED TO DEATH

HEROIC EFFORTS TO SAVE WEXFORD MAN

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

WEXFORD, Sunday.

The death of Richard Dempsey, aged fifty one, a farmer, of Knockruth, County Wexford, who was burned when his house went on fire on the 23rd December, was investigated on Christmas Eve, and a verdict of accidental death was returned.

James Dempsey, a son, said that it was customary for his father to read and smoke, and keep a lighted candle near the bed. When witness left the house on the 23rd his father was well, sitting in the kitchen. When he came home about 10.30 the house was in flames.

Further evidence was to the effect that the fire was first discovered about 9.45 by John Bogan, Knockruth, who gave the alarm to neighbours. Some of the thatched roof had fallen in at that time. Inspector Carr and Detective-Officer Compton, who saw the fire when motoring from Rossiare, came and sent for the Wexford fire brigade. Owing to the distance of water supplies 1,400 feet of hose were laid down from the engine, and the fire was under control in about an hour and a half. Detective-Officer Laverty entered the building and found the charred remains.

The Coroner (Mr. M. Kavanagh) paid tribute to the fire brigade for its work, and Inspector Carr referred to the work of the parish priest, the Very Rev. T. O'Byrne, who remained, assisting in the efforts to subdue the flames, until the body was found.

THREE MEN BADLY INJURED

After two motor cars had collided without injury to their occupants at Booterstown on Saturday morning, a third car ran into the drivers when they were standing on the road beside their vehicles. Both of them were removed to Monkstown Hospital with serious injuries. Thomas Whiteside (47), 71b Sandymount road, was suffering from a fractured thigh, cuts to legs and facial injuries. Edward O'Connor (25), 60 Tramway Cottages, Blackrock, from injuries to back and legs and shock.

While crossing O'Connell street, Limerick, on Christmas morning, John O'Connor, Carey's road, Limerick, was struck by a motor car and seriously injured. He was removed to hospital in an unconscious condition, and had not recovered consciousness up to a late hour last night.

SUDDEN DEATHS

While preparing for the Christmas dinner in her home in Harpur's lane, Portlaoighise, Mrs. Annie Bartley, wife of a labourer, died suddenly.

Peter Henry (70), farmer, Ross, Skreen, County Sligo, after completing his Christmas shopping, died suddenly on entering an I.O.C. bus at Sligo *depôt*.

CORKMAN DROWNED

John Linehan, of 12 Ashburton Cottages, Cork, aged 65, was drowned at Cork on Christmas Eve, about 6.15 p.m. He was seen struggling in the River Lee at Brian Boro' Bridge, and in response to his cries for help a number of men who went to the rescue succeeded in getting him ashore. On admission to the North Infirmary, however, he was found to be dead.

FOUR INJURED

Four people were injured on Sunday near the South Gate Bridge, Cork, when a car, which apparently skidded, knocked them down. The injured persons were:—Miss Frances McCarthy, of Anamount, Friars' Walk; Michael Harrington, of Desmond's square; Charles Cogan, of Cobh street, and John Buckley, of Maryville, Friars' Walk. They were removed to the South Infirmary, where Cogan and Buckley were detained for treatment.

DEATH FROM BURNS

Mrs. Elizabeth Duffy, widow, aged about 55, Rathnew, and recipient of the blind pension, received such severe burns on Christmas morning, while the members of her family were at Mass, that she died in the County Hospital, Wicklow, several hours later. Apparently Mrs. Duffy endeavoured to prepare breakfast for the family, and, in removing a kettle from the range, her clothing caught fire. Neighbours who heard her screams found Mrs. Duffy with her clothes ablaze, and wrapped her in an overcoat and bedclothes, so extinguishing the flames.

Dr. Conway, Wicklow, was brought to her, and had her conveyed to the County Hospital. Her case was a hopeless one, though she did not lose consciousness, and death occurred in the afternoon.

CORK FIREMEN BUSY

During the week-end the Cork fire brigade answered no less than thirty calls—six to small fires and twenty-four to minor accident cases. At one time, late on Christmas Eve, three ambulances were in use simultaneously.

One of the fires broke out in a stable just behind the fire brigade headquarters, but was quickly extinguished. None of the accidents was of a serious nature.

DEATH FOLLOWS ROW

Owen Reddin, aged about 53, died in the Union Hospital, Belfast, yesterday, from wounds which he is stated to have received in a quarrel in a boarding-house in Park street, Belfast. In the course of the quarrel Reddin fell unconscious, and the proprietor of the boarding-house had him taken to the hospital in a motor car. He died without regaining consciousness. The police questioned people who were present at the occurrence, but did not make any arrest.

OLD WOMAN'S DEATH

An elderly woman—Mrs. Maria Doherty, Gamble street, Belfast—on Christmas Eve was knocked down in York street, Belfast, by a 'bus, and had both legs broken. She was admitted to the Mater Hospital, but died following an operation.

MAN INJURED IN DUBLIN CAR ACCIDENT

Joseph Armstrong (18), of Milltown, Co. Dublin, received head injuries last night when the car in which he was a passenger was involved in a collision with another car near Rathmines Town Hall. The car in which he was travelling overturned, but the driver escaped. The driver of the other car also escaped injury. Armstrong was detained in the Meath Hospital.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PEACE

PRIMATE APPEALS TO INDIVIDUALS

GENEROUS JUDGMENT OF OTHERS NEEDED

THE Archbishop of Canterbury in his broadcast on Sunday appealed to the individual in his home to bear witness to Christianity "openly and courageously" among his fellows.

The Primate said:—"A year ago from this place I ventured to broadcast an appeal to my fellow-countrymen. It became known as "a recall to religion." What real impression has been made I cannot tell. Immediate or dramatic results were neither possible nor expected. I only know from tidings which reach me from every part of the country that there has been a real stirring of the interest and the conscience of the community. A beginning has been made. Only the course of years can show permanent results.

"A French thinker has said that the whole tendency of modern life is to dispersonalise man. He tends to be absorbed in the vast machine of modern civilisation. In the ever-increasing haste of modern life he has no time to possess his own soul, to realise his own personality. In some countries to-day his individuality is merged and lost in the all-pervading State.

PILING UP ARMAMENTS

"Democracy has become much more than one of many forms of government. It has become the guardian of human personality. But even a democracy, let us remember, depends for its worth and health on each individual citizen recognising his own separate responsibility as one of its rulers and equipping himself to fulfil it.

"There are other spheres in which it is well to remember this truth—if you will, this commonplace—of individual responsibility. Take, for example, the question of peace. Who can think without dismay of the fears, jealousies and suspicions which have compelled nations—our own among them—to pile up their armaments?

"Who can think at this present time without a sickening of heart of the appalling slaughter the suffering, the manifold misery, brought by war to Spain and to China?

"Who can think without horror of what another widespread war would mean, waged as it would be with all the new weapons of mass destruction? Yet, how fruitless seem to be all efforts to secure a really settled peace.

APPARENT FAILURE

"In the midst of so much apparent failure it is natural that we mere individuals should be depressed by a sense of our personal impotence. Yet there is one thing which each has it in his power to do. He can rid his own mind of the fears and jealousies which disturb the world. He can strive in his own mind to be fair and generous in his judgment of other nations. He can himself be willing that the underlying causes of restlessness and discontent should be examined impartially and in a spirit of goodwill, so that justice, which is the true basis of peace, may be done.

"We are almost tired of being told that Christianity offers the only solution of these world problems. It is true, profoundly true. But it would have more chance of coming true if for 'Christianity' we substituted 'Christians.' My appeal to you this evening is that if you really believe any part, great or small, of the Christian Gospel you should be ready to bear witness to it openly and courageously among your fellows. The duty of witness cannot be left to official preachers. The simplest word of a layman will often be more effective than the most eloquent words of any minister. The one will tell just because its sincerity is proved by the very difficulty with which it is spoken. The other, alas, will often fail just because the facility makes the sincerity doubtful."

The Week-End's Events

Fumes Overcome Seventeen Miners.—Seventeen miners were revived with oxygen after being overcome by fumes at Earnock Colliery, Hamilton, when fire broke out on Christmas Eve in a haulage road.

Convicts See Film.—Three hundred and fifty long-term convicts at Maidstone Prison saw the film, "Boys Will be Boys," on Christmas Day—the first time an entertainment film had been shown in a British prison.

Dog Guards Dead Mistress.—The whining of her pet dog led to the finding of the body of a seventy years old recluse, Miss Duncan, in her flat in West Blackhall street, Greenock, on Christmas night. The dog attacked police officers who tried to enter, and had to be shot.

Fireman's Fall.—Fireman Stanley Hall received a fractured knee and concussion through a twenty-foot fall down a lift shaft during a fire at a Bristol haulage contractor's premises on Christmas Day.

Coroner's Death Fall.—Mr. W. Yorke Groves, Coroner for Mid-Northants, was found dead on Christmas Day in the grounds of Northampton Hospital, where he was a patient. Apparently he had fallen forty feet from the window of his ward.

Missing Colonel Found Shot.—Missing since the previous evening, Colonel D. D. Gray, retired O.C. of the 171st Territorial Battery, R.G.A., Port Glasgow, was found shot through the head under a railway bridge at Port Glasgow on Christmas morning. A service revolver was by his side.

He Once Bombed the Japs.—Ninety-five-year-old naval pensioner, Mr. J. Carnochan, of Dartmouth, who was with the British fleet which bombarded Kagoshima, the capital of Satsuma, Japan, in 1862, died on Thursday night. The bombardment was a reprisal for the killing by the Japanese of an Englishman who got in the way of the retinue of the Prince of Satsuma.

PERSECUTION IN GERMANY

THE PONTIFF'S REFERENCES

"NO POLITICS IN VATICAN"

THE Pope, in an address to Cardinals at a Christmas Eve reception at the Vatican, said:—

"In Germany there is persecution for some considerable time. It has been said and repeated that there is no persecution, but we know that it exists.

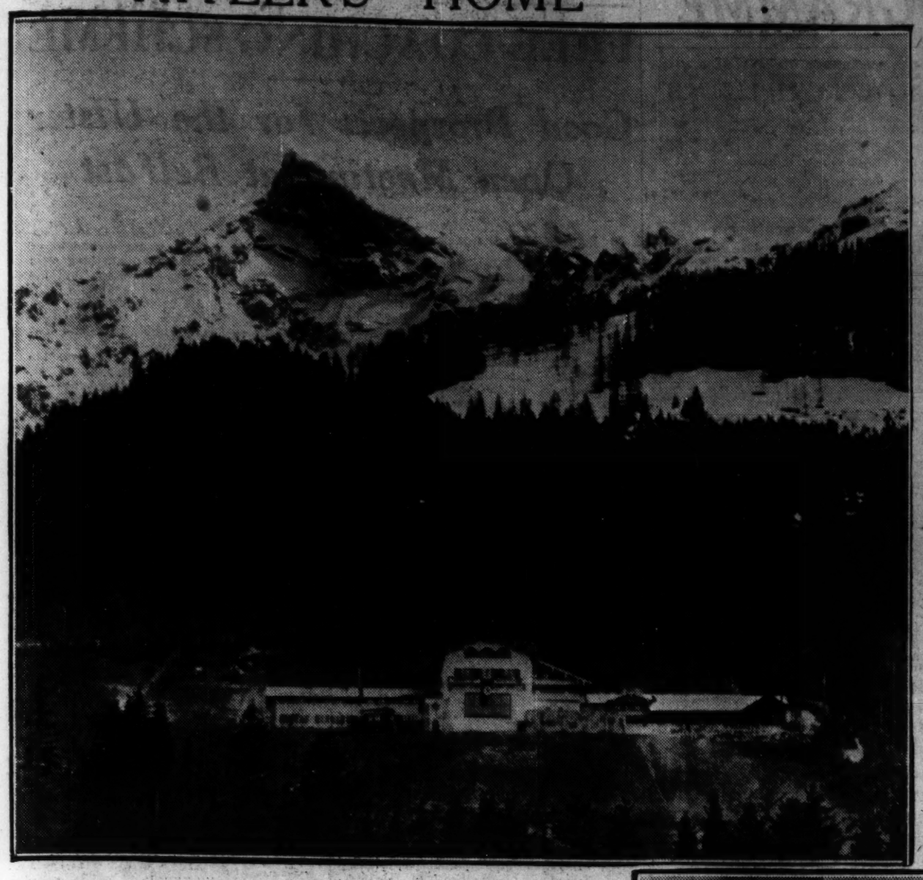
"We know that there is a persecution such as there has never been, a persecution which is grave and fearful, and has already produced grievous results. It is a persecution, sad as it is to say so, in connection with which there has not been lacking, nor does there lack now, either brutality or violence, either treachery or falsehood and lies.

"We should like to add another point for those who may have need of it—and strictly speaking there should be no such need, since no one should doubt that in speaking of such matters the Vicar of Christ is well enough informed to avoid an error of fact—and this is a point of importance and truth."

SCIENCE AND CULTURE

The Pope then referred to his own experience of German science

HITLER'S HOME



HITLER'S HOME.—The Villa Berghof, at Obersalzburg, the German Chancellor's home near Berchtesgaden.

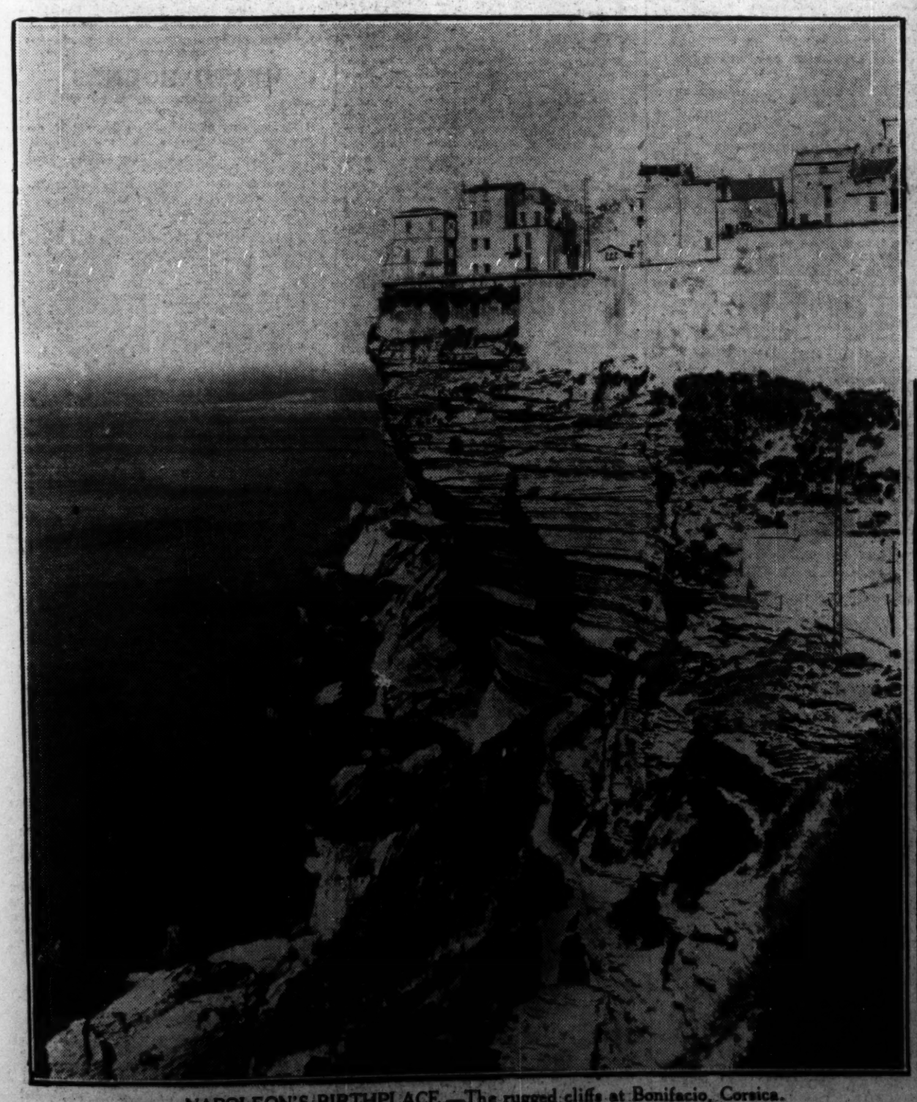
CHRISTMAS SWIM

CHRISTMAS DAY SWIM.—Mr. H. Hannigan presenting the cups won by the North Dublin Swimming Club in the swim at Clontarf on Christmas morning.

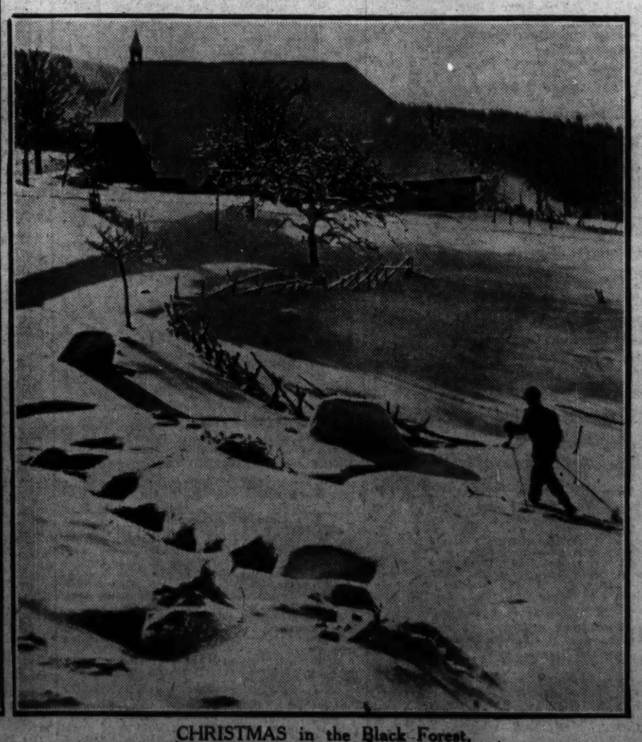
DINNER AT ST. BRIC IN'S MILITARY HOSPITAL.—A group of guests. Front (left to right): Captain Fahy, Dr. Cunningham, Dr. Doherty, Major McKinney, Dr. Roche, Rev. Father Kennedy, Captain Breen. Back (left to right): Mr. Doyle, Lieutenant Shannon, Dr. Taylor, Captain Power, Dr. O'Grady, Dr. Burke, Colonel O'Connell, Dr. Stumpf, Dr. McGrath, Captain Whelan, Captain Dodd.

CHRISTMAS FARE.—The crew of the Oweers lightship taking on Christmas provisions, which were brought out by the lifeboat from Selsey Bill, eight miles away by sea.

SOVIET FIREMEN taking part in the recent competition between units from all parts of the U.S.S.R.



NAPOLEON'S BIRTHPLACE.—The rugged cliffs at Bonifacio, Corsica.



CHRISTMAS in the Black Forest.

Madame FITZ-GERALD

From a Drawing by Sean O'Sullivan, R.H.A.

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LAMPS AND HOSE

NEW QUOTAS FIXED

An order under the Control of Imports Acts made by the Executive Council appoints the period from 1st February, 1938, to 30th April, 1938, as the third quota period, and appoints as the quota for that period 20,000 electric filament lamps.

Another order appoints the period from the 1st February, 1938, to 31st May, 1938, as the eighth quota period and appoints as the quota for that period 240,000 pairs of hose made wholly or partly from silk or artificial silk.

BACON PRODUCTION QUOTA

The Bacon Marketing Board have made an order fixing for the period 1st to 31st January, 1938, the production quota of bacon at 67,500 cwts. The sales quota for this period is 35,000 cwts.

FUNERAL OF LORD MONTEAGLE

The deepest regret was manifested in Foynes on Thursday, when the remains of Francis, Fourth Baron Monteagle of Brandon were laid to rest in the cemetery at Loughill. The body was encased in a simple elm coffin, made by the estate workers, and was borne from Cappa House to the churchyard on the shoulders of employés and tenants. The funeral cortège was followed by a large number of mourners, who came to pay a last tribute to one whose kindness and charity were known and appreciated throughout the entire district. Blinds were drawn in all shops and houses in the village of Foynes and the tri-colour flew at half-mast from a flagpole on the quayside.

At the chrurchyard the remains were received by the Rev. F. A. H. White, B.A., who officiated at the graveside.

The grave was lined with laurel, ferns and moss, and the fourth bearer of a historic name was buried beside his wife, Julia Lady Monteagle, who died last year.

The chief mourners were:—The Hon. C. Spring Rice, Fifth Baron Monteagle (son); the Hon. Gerald and the Hon. Michael Spring Rice (grandsons), the Hon. Joan Spring Rice (granddaughter), Lady Monteagle (daughter-in-law), Mr. Dermod O'Brien, R.H.A.; Mr. D. R. O'Brien (Limerick), Mr. Hugh O'Brien (Foynes), and Mrs. O'Brien (relatives).

The general public included:—Viscount Adare (representing the Earl of Dunraven), the Knight of Glin and Madam Fitzgerald, Major C. R. Leslie (Tarbert), Major L. E. Clarke, Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs. P. Fitzgerald (Mondellihy), Mr. A. J. Blood-Smith, Mr. E. A. Newnham, Dr. M. Nolan, Mr. J. Keyes, T.D.; Father Casey, P.P., Ballyhahill; Father Purtill, St. Munchin's College, Limerick; Mr. J. Nolan, Miss Madden, Mr. L. Purtill, Mr. A. Little, Mr. J. Shine, the Rev. S. F. Howe, M.A., Valencia; Messrs. P. Corr, E. Scales, F. Scales, M. Finucane, J. Whelan, F. Sheehy, T. O'Shaughnessy, J. Griffin, P. O'Shaughnessy, P. Costelloe, M. Noonan, and T. Sheehy.

Wreaths were sent by Viscount and Viscountess Adare, and the Foynes Branch, I.T.A.G.W.U.

MORE FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

The British Ministry of Agriculture announces that outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease were confirmed yesterday among cattle at Laleham, near Staines, Middlesex, and at Rowde, Wiltshire.

The area in which restrictions have been imposed in respect of the outbreak at Laleham lies in the counties of Middlesex, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, and Surrey.

The area round Rowde, Wiltshire, has been added to the already existing Dorset and Wiltshire infected areas.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—St. John the Evangelist, 8 and 11 a.m. Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel. Evensong at 4 o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—St. John the Evangelist. Morning Prayer at 10.30 o'clock. Benedictus. Hymn, 90. Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel at 11 o'clock. Read Service at 3 o'clock.

THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, Lower Leeson street.—The Church's Ministry of Healing. Holy Communion at 10.30 o'clock.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

"SWEEPSTAKE WINNER" CHARGED

FOUR PERSONS REMANDED

(BEFORE MR. LENNON.)

Joseph Boland, Auburn terrace, Kilmainham; John Babbage, Brookfield road; Annie Gleeson, Old Kilmainham, and Michael Hayes, Mary street (in custody), were remanded on a charge of having £200 illegally in their possession.

It was stated by Mr. J. J. O'Connor, who defended, that Hayes had won £1,000 in the sweep.

TRIPLE TRAM SMASH

TEN PERSONS SLIGHTLY HURT

Eight passengers and two tram drivers were taken to hospital in Manchester on Sunday night following an accident in which three trams were involved in Downing street, Ardwick. Two trams were stationary when the third struck the rear of one of them, pushing it forward so that it hit the leading tram.

The passengers, including two children, aged four, received their injuries by being thrown forward on to the seats in front.

All the injured were allowed to leave hospital after treatment for minor cuts and abrasions.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS

FRIDAY.

Barometer at 1 p.m.—30.

Wind and Weather at 1 p.m.—South-westerly winds; fine.

Coastwise Arrivals—Lady Munster, from Liverpool, with passengers; Lady Connaught, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Lairdsburn, from Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Slieve Bloom, from Holyhead, with goods; Lady Emerald, from London, via Cork, with goods; Guinness, from London, with stout and empties; Donaghmore and Axinite, from London, with cement; Ribblebank, from Liverpool, with maize; Malachite, from Newport, with coals; Alyn, from Actongrange, with coals; St. Fintan, from Partington, with coals; m.v. Dr. Colijn, from Cardigan, light.

DECEMBER 25 AND 26.

Foreign Arrivals—M/v. Ruth (oil tank), from Constantza, via Avonmouth, with motor spirit; discharged and proceeded to Preston with part cargo. Admiral Nulton from Portland (Oregon), with a cargo of wheat; Afon Dulais, from Antwerp, with a cargo of cement.

Coastwise Arrivals—Lady Leinster, from Liverpool, with passengers, etc.; Finola, from Swansea, with goods; m/v. Kilkenny, from Liverpool, with goods; Busk, from Irvine, with coals; Privet and Pearl, from Newport, with coals; Asteria Topaz and Opepe, from Ayr, with coals; Moygannon, from Whitehaven, with coals; Glencree, Glenageary and Silverfield, from Ardrossan, with coals; Sturdee Rose, from Garston, with coals; Birker Force, from Tyne, with coals; Mayflower, from Workington, with coals; Spinel, from Blyth, with coals; Daisy, from Cardiff, with coals; Corrib and Cushendun, from London, with cement; m/v. Melissa, from Liverpool, with fuel oil; m/v. Shelbris 4, from Ardrossan, with fuel oil

A pedigree white shorthorn bull was burned to death in a barn fire at Little Wittenham, Berkshire, yesterday. A cow in the next stall fought its way out.

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PROSPECT OF A GREAT STEEPLECHASE

The Meeting of Airgead Sios and Argental at Manchester

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

IT is to be hoped that the present week's racing—after a six-day break—will be carried through; though after the experiences of the football matches yesterday and the prevalence of fog in many parts of the country the prospects are not of the rosiest. It is devoutly to be wished that nothing will interfere with the running of the Victory Steeplechase at Manchester next Saturday; for that will be the event of the week, and, not only of the week, but of the earlier part of the National Hunt season, for the present intention seems to be to run both Airgead Sios and Argental, and the meeting of these two unusual young horses will be worth going a long way to see.

I have already mentioned Solarium as the possible rival of the pair, but Solarium's record, good as it is since he went jumping, is not to be compared with that of the other pair. I am sure that Victor Tabor and his friends will not believe in the possibility of Airgead Sios being beaten; while, on the other hand, W. Payne and his associates will not believe in any horse in training giving Argental 8lb. over two miles. It is when we have confidence like this behind a pair of reputed champions that we get racing out of the ordinary.

"National" Weights

On Tuesday of next week the entries close for the Grand National, for which the top weight still remains at 12st. 7lb. and the bottom weight is back to 10st. It seems as if we shall never have the Grand National scale of weights established. One thought a few years ago, when the bottom weight was fixed at 10st. 7lb. and there was a 2st. margin for the handicapper, that we had reached some sort of finality, but it is not so.

I suppose we shall find the name of the winner of the Irish Grand National, Mr. G. V. Malcolmson's Pontet, among the entry. An engagement was made for her in the Stayers' Handicap 'Chase next Wednesday, run over four miles at Cheltenham. She was given 12st. 7lb. there, and the engagement was declined, as she disappeared at the acceptance stage.

There will not be many good 'chasers excluded from the National entry this time on account of their not having won or been placed for a three miles 'chase worth 200 sovs. to the winner. Executives in several cases have redrafted the conditions of their races run during the early part of the season, so as to give likely Grand National horses a chance of qualifying.

The Paris 'Chase Winner

One hopes that the winner of the Paris Steeplechase last June, Ingre, will be entered. It will be remembered that he came here for the Becher 'Chase in November, won by Airgead Sios, and that he fell at the "chair" fence. It was thought at the time that the shadow thrown by the fence caused him to take-off too soon, and that this was his undoing. The fact that so many other good jumpers came to grief at the same obstacle during the meeting seemed to lend colour to this view.

We shall miss the name of Golden Miller, as well as that of Reynoldstown, from the entry, but Royal Mail, the winner last March, fights on. Whether he will be the better or the best from the stable of Ivor Anthony remains to be seen. I am sure that we have seen nothing like the best of Drinmore Lad this season. It is probable that we shall be seeing one or other of the younger horses with reputations still to be made making a noise in the Grand National market later on, but, numerous as they seem to be, not many of them have, so far, shown themselves to be great stayers.

The Cheltenham Test

The Stayers' Steeplechase at Cheltenham on Wednesday will give a few that are not already qualified an opportunity of gaining the necessary credentials. This handicap is now headed by Red Freeman, who has 12st. The fact that in the Lambourn Steeplechase at Newbury later in the week Red Freeman has two stones and a pound less than Golden Miller shows the quality of the Cheltenham entry. Lough Cottage and Noble Tipp receive a pound and 7lb., respectively, from Red Freeman.

Reynoldstown, whose first appearance of the season has been delayed on account of training difficulties in the Midlands, due to the weather, has an engagement on Tuesday in the Oteley Handicap Steeplechase at Wolverhampton, and, as the weather at the present moment is open, the opportunity may be taken of giving him a run.

Apart from the Victory Steeplechase at Manchester, the best race of the week may be the Lambourn Handicap Steeplechase at Newbury on Friday. Golden Miller is top weight here, but the present plans are to run him in a little race at Wincanton to-morrow. Three pounds below him in the Newbury event is Royal Mail, who is bracketed as the same horse as his stable companion, Kellsboro' Jack.

Silver Lance's Next Race

There is a collection of "National" horses in this event, such as Cooleen, who was second to Royal Mail last March—and the legitimate winner, according to her jockey, but for the interference of a loose horse—Belted Hero and Battleship. The six-year-old, Dominick's Cross, is also engaged in this race.

I have written before here about the apparent shortage of promising young hurdlers. This Newbury meeting often reveals a smart novice. About the best we have seen is the Irish-bred son of Knight of the Garter, Silver Lance, who has several engagements this week. It is intended that the one he will fulfil will be the Juvenile Hurdle at Newbury on Thursday. It is doubtful whether there will be anything in the event good enough to beat him. He is being criticised because he is not a showy and flashy sort of jumper, but he gets down to his work like one that knows all about it and likes it.

Kempton Selections

It is possible that a well-bred young recruit to jumping, the Aga Khan's Dharampur, will make his first appearance in his new rôle at Kempton Park to-morrow in the Lonsdale Hurdle Race. He will, however, have to meet the more experienced Honquan, who some people think beter than Silver Lance. Santayana will be another high class newcomer, but the preference is for HONQUAN.

Drinmore Lad is likely to run for the Oatlands Steeplechase, and his last race should have brought him on. The distance, two and a half miles, is hardly far enough to bring out the best in him, and I prefer the chances of Asterabad and JOVIAL JUDGE. The latter beat everything except Argental on this course at the last meeting and should win outright this time.

In the Christmas Steeplechase preference is given to Knight of Tanya, a winner last time out.

At Wolverhampton

One of the other meetings to-morrow is at Wolverhampton, and here the Wyford Handicap may be won by Ramalong, now that Broad Oaks is not likely to be sent. The Christmas Steeplechase may go to Belted Hero and the Pekridge Steeplechase to Luckpenny, or, in his absence, MOLLISON.

There may be a good-sized field to oppose GOLDEN MILLER at Wincanton, but no matter what turns out Miss Paget's horse should beat them all.

GALTEE MORE.

SEDGEFIELD CARD

1.0—FERRYHILL SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 70 sovs. 2 m.

	Age. st. lb.
HIGH LIFE (Mr. T. West) ..... Lyall	6 12 7
BARA (Mr. L. Mortimer) ..... Private a	12 0
OLD EDINBURGH (Mr. A. Ainslie) ..... Private a	11 11
PHANTOM ROBERT (Major Bladon) ..... Bladon a	11 10
BALLYDOON (Mr R. Wormald) ... F. Day	6 11 8
MALTED MILK (Mr. S. Barratt) ... Lyde 4	11 1
TOWTON (Mr. J. Seely) ..... Bissill	6 11 0
KING SABLE (Mr. G. Canard) ... Private 6	10 13
MARTIN BARBER (Mr. H. Bell) ... Lyde a	10 12

1.30—DURHAM 'CHASE of 70 sovs. 2 m.

	Age. st. lb.
BISHOP'S MOVE (Mr. Johnstone) ..... Murless	6 12 0
HEATHER MIXTURE (Mr. Paisley) ..... Paisley a	12 0
TETRAMOR (Mr. R. Renton) ... Renton	6 12 0
LORD DRINMORE (Col. Tweedie) ... Wight	5 11 12
ETHEDON (Mr. Weldon) ..... Lyde	5 11 12
SCOTCH THISTLE (Mr. Ainslie) ... Private	6 11 8
MILLSTREAM (Mrs. Barratt) ..... Lyde a	11 9
DRAGONFLY IV. (Mr. Dyson) ... Private	6 11 9
LOUGHAN HILL (Mr. Greenwood) ..... Paisley a	11 9
OSELLE (Mrs. K. Hill) ..... Megginson a	11 9
ANOTHER SHOT (Capt. Scott) ... Private a	11 6

2.0—MORDON HURDLE RACE of 70 sovs. 2 m.

	Age. st. lb.
OGLE DENE (Mr. J. Deuchar) ... Webb	5 12 0
VINEGAR HILL II. (Mr. Wilson) ..... Private a	11 9
TOOTS (Mr. A. Ainslie) ..... Private	5 11 7
DESPERATION (Mr. Sykes) ..... Private	5 11 7
DROMOD (Lord Southampton) ... Murless	4 11 0
ROSVALE (Mr. F. Dasher) ..... Easterby	4 11 0
BLUE HORIZON (Mr. Fleming) ... J. Wood	5 12 0
VALLIP (Mr. R Levy) ..... L. Barker	6 12 0
CARLORE (Mr. A. Lowther) ... Murless	5 12 0
OLD FLAME (Mrs. A. Harbord) ... T. Hall	4 11 10
TECLA PEARL (Mr Bowie) ..... T. E. Leader	4 11 10
CATALINO (Mr. J. Walton) ..... Bladon	4 11 10
MY HOPE (Mr. C. C. Allan) ..... Paton	4 11 9
MARY WILKINSON (Mr. H. Barker) ..... L. Barker	5 11 9
BROWN PERIL (Mr. A. Bell) ... Private	4 11 9
AMBER GLORY (Mr. A. Calder) ... Wight	4 11 9
MATHERAN (Mr. G. Dixon) ... Easterby	5 11 9
PLEASANT BEAUTY (Mr. G. Hodgson) ..... Private	5 11 9
CONSTANT BROTHER (Miss Lincoln) ..... Kettlewell	4 11 9
BELLODORE (Mr. Kitching) ... Kitching	4 11 9
ROSECHAFER (Mr. W. Binnie) ... Binnie	5 11 9
GIRL PAT (Col. W. Peel) ..... Wicht	5 11 9
MARKENFIELD (Mr. Renton) ... Renton	6 11 9
BEAM (Mr. W. Ridley) ..... Private	4 11 9
AGRIPPINA (Mr. K. Thompson) ... Private	5 11 9
SANTOWAY (Mr. W. Walker) ... Private	4 11 9
SUMMER TIME (Mr. Wilson) ... Private	4 11 9
BECONTREE HEATH (Mr. Booth) ... Webb	4 11 5
HOP STEP (Mr. G. Hodgson) ... Private	4 11 5
GINA (Mr. L. Mortimer) ..... J. Harper	4 11 5
BALLYBOY (Mrs. I. Strang) ..... Storie	4 11 5
PINK TOPAZ (Sir R. Sykes) ... Botterill	4 11 5
PILANZANE (Lt.-Col. Turner) ... Bladon	4 11 5
HERRINGSWELL (Mrs. L. Whitehead) ..... Paisley	4 11 5
MELLERAY'S CASTLE (Mr. L. Wilson) ..... Easterby	4 11 5
ACTO (Mrs. E. Hudson) ... F. Armstrong	5 10 7
STRONG MEASURE (Mr. Lyde) ... Lyde	5 10 7
FRANKIE BILL (Mr. Ainslie) ... Private	5 10 2
NINOOR (Mr. Deuchar) ... F. Armstrong	5 10 2
TREK (Mr. S Prentice) ..... J. Harper	5 10 2
GALLANTLY (Mr. N. Robson) ... Newton	5 10 2

2.30—BRADBURY H'CAP 'CHASE of 70 sovs. 3 m 250 yds.

	Age. st. lb.
DECORUM (Capt. H. Vaux) ..... Lyde	a 12 7
BELHECTOR (Col. H. Jolley) ..... Wicht	a 12 2
THE DUBARRY (Mr. H Rose) ..... Rose	a 12 1
COTTAGE VIEW (Mr. Reynolds) ... Private	a 11 12
BALLYFOX (Comdr. Whitehead) ... Lyde	6 11 5
JOLLY JUNIOR (Mr. Hutchison) ... Wicht	a 11 4
GOLD KING (Mr. D. Brown) ... D. Brown	a 11 2
FINSON (Mr. P. J. Jeffreys) ..... Private	a 10 12
POOR CHANCE (Major Bladon) ... Bladon	a 10 9
VERIFIED (Col. T. Dunlop) ..... Easterby	4 10 0
INTRITION (Mr. J. Hartley) ..... T. Hall	a 10 0

3.0—HARDWICK HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 70 sovs. 2½ m.

	Age. st. lb.
BALHO (Mr. R. Thornton) ..... Private	5 12 7
SILVER FOG (Mr. Rochester) ... Private	5 12 7
CAROLE DARLING (Mr. C. Bowser) ..... C. Bowser	4 12 2
ALVARADO (Mr. R. K. Poskitt) ... T. Hall	a 12 1
ILLUMINITE (Mr. R. Smith) ... J. Harper	5 11 13
DONNA MIA (Lady Grainger) ... Wight	a 11 9
INGLEDENE (Mr. H. Wormald) ... F. Day	6 11 9
CUPID'S COTTAGE (Sir U. Blake) ..... Private	a 11 6
INGLESANT (Mr. A. Patterson) ... Private	a 11 6
BISHOP'S MOVE (Mr. Johnstone) ..... Murless	6 11 4
PUBLICITY (Mr. S Hanley) ..... W. Nightingall	4 11 4
ROBBER CHIEF (Mr. Barnet) ... A. Boyd	a 11 3
FALSE DOCTRINE (Mr. Lamb) ..... Mulholland	a 11 2
ITALIAN PRINCESS (Mr. Lyde) ... Lyde	5 11 2
KING'S WARDEN (Mr. Thorpe) ..... Harper	6 11 2
GO CANNY (Miss I. Johnson) ... Easterby	6 11 1
OLD MONOTONOUS (Mrs. J. Bladon) ..... Bladon	5 11 1
CLAUDE DUVAL (Mr J. Deucher) ... Webb	a 10 13
TRESPASS (Mrs A. Johnston) ... Keddie	a 10 12
SPECTRUM (Mr C. Bowser) ... Bowser	3 10 11
FAST DYE (Mr. J. Sunlight) ... Renton	5 10 10
ISTONE (Mr. R. Bradshaw) ... Mason	a 10 4
CHERRY BLOSSOM II. (Mr. Stockill) ..... Private	a 10 0
CASTLEMAN (Sir U. Blake) ..... Private	a 10 0

3.30—FISHBURN HURDLE RACE of 70 sovs. For three-year-olds only. 1½ m.

	st. lb.
ENSKILDA (Mr. W. Thorpe) ... J. Harper	11 0
ROMNEY LADY (Mrs. H Bell) ..... Lyde	10 7
HEATHCOCK (Major Bladon) ..... Bladon	10 7
BARNSTALE (Mr. R. Botterill) ... R. Botterill	10 7
TOTON (Mr. L. Stuart Brown) ... F. Armstrong	10 7
TREADWELL (Mr. W. Sadler) ..... Hutchera	10 7
SOLIDAGO (Mrs E. Hudson) ... F. Armstrong	10 7
ACTO (Mr. E. Rudson) ..... F. Armstrong	10 7
SHAWTESBURY LAD (Capt. W. Miller) ..... T. Hall	10 7
ODYSSEY (Mr. R Poskitt) ..... Easterby	10 7
FOXGLOVE (Mrs. F. Reynard) ..... Renton	10 7
LOGANLEA (Mrs. I. Strang) ..... Wicht	10 7
TRITON (Major Bladon) ..... Bladon	10 2
BROADHEAT (Mr. Brownlow) ..... Browne	10 2
VERY FUNNY (Mr. J. Burn) ..... Mason	10 2
NETHERTON (Mrs. G. Dixon) ..... Easterby	10 2
MR. WILKINS (Mr. M. Hyman) ..... Easterby	10 2
THORN FALCON (Mr. N. Murless) ..... Murless	10 2
GILETTE (Mr. A. Paton) ..... Paton	10 2
MASHIE (Sir J. Roberts) ..... Wight	10 2
FLORA (Mrs. I. Strang) ..... Wight	10 2
THE BLACK KNIGHT (Mr. A. Thomson) ..... F. Armstrong	10 2
RACING DEMON (Com. N. Whitehead) ..... Paisley	10 2

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BALDOYLE RACES,

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22nd.

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DUBLIN HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 135 sovs. A winner of a steeplechase after the declaration of the weights, January 7th, o'b. extra. Horses handicapped at 12st. 7lb. to carry only 3lb extra. Entrance 1 sov. Horses not struck out on January 12th pay 1 sov. extra. Three miles.

MALAHIDE HURDLE RACE of 75 sovs. A handicap. Entrance 1 sov., total liability. Two miles.

STEWARDS' STEEPLECHASE of 75 sovs. A handicap. Entrance 1 sov., total liability. About two miles, one furlong and seventy yards.

KILLESTER HURDLE RACE of 50 sovs. For maidens. Four years old, 10st. 7lb.; five years, 11st. 3lb.; six years and aged, 11st. 7lb. Maidens under Rules of Racing allowed, if four years, 7lb.; if five years, 10lb.; if six years or aged, 14lb. One mile and a half.

STRAND PLATE of 50 sovs. A flat race for four years old and upwards that have not won a race* at time of entry. Four years old, 10st. 9lb.; five years, 11st. 7lb.; six years and aged, 11st. 9lb. A winner after date of entry of a race*, 10lb. extra. Qualified Riders. Two miles.

*Including races under I.N.H.S. and N.H. Rules.

BALGRIFFIN STEEPLECHASE of 50 sovs. A steeplechase for horses that have not won a steeplechase four years old, 10st. 5lb.; five years, 11st. 4lb.; six years and aged, 11st. 9lb. The winner of a hurdle race or hurdle races singly or collectively value 130 sovs. or more since January 1st, 1937, 12lb. extra. Maidens under Rules of Racing allowed, if four years, 5lb.; if five years, 9lb.; if six years or aged, 12lb. About two miles, one furlong and seventy yards.

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LEOPARDSTOWN PROGRAMME

BIG FIELDS TO-DAY

Royal Danieli Fancied for Christmas Steeplechase

THE St. Stephen's Day fixture at Leopardstown—always one of the most popular meetings of the season at the Foxrock course—is likely to attract strong patronage this afternoon, provided there is a continuance of the nice mild weather which prevailed over Christmas. The card is a particularly attractive one, with plenty of runners in readiness for the various races. The presence of Mr. H. C. McNally's Grand National candidate, Royal Danieli, among the field for the Christmas Steeplechase should endow this event with an especial interest. The distance of two miles and some odd yards may be just a trifle short for him, and he may have his work cut out to beat the versatile Vesuvian, who has speed and stays well. It should be an interesting race, and Royal Danieli's class is likely to tell in his favour.

Among the twenty declared runners for the Stand Malden Hurdle Race are several horses who have shown useful form on the flat, including Baybush, Phylactery and Soldenno. The preference is for Phylactery, whose dam, Philip's Fancy, may complete a remarkable double event by winning the Glencairn Hurdle Race.

Astrom, who won at the last Leopardstown meeting, may repeat this success by winning the December Steeplechase. If Vesuvian is saddled for the Carrickmines Steeplechase instad of the earlier race his chance would be good, but the preference here is for Cultrumer, and Ringwood Sun may be the best to stand for the Ranelagh Flat Race. Selections :—

Stand Maiden Hurdle—**Phylactery.**
Glencairn Hurdle—**Philip's Fancy.**
Christmas Steeplechase—**Royal Danieli.**
December Steeplechase—**Astrom.**
Carrickmines Steeplechase—**Cultrumer.**
Ranelagh Flat Race—**Ringwood Sun.**

TOTE DOUBLE.

Royal Danieli and Cultrumer.

Tote Double on Third and Fifth Races.

1.0—STAND MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 50 sovs. Second 5 sovs., third 2 sovs. A hurdle race for three years old and upwards. 1½ m.

	Age st. lb.
BAYBUSH (Mrs. H. Ball) ... Osborne	5 11 10
SOLDENNO (Mr. W. J. Kelly) ... Owner	4 11 7
CURROCK (Mr. B. Kerr) ... Lenehan	4 11 7
PHYLACTERY (Mr. F. More O'Ferrall) ..... Walker	4 11 7
TORNTOI (Mr. P. J. M'Cormack) ... Owner	4 11 7
NO COMPARISON (Mr. A. Barry) ..... Sleator	5 11 0
DARK TOR (Col. Clarke) ..... Hurley	6 11 0
CAPTAIN NEMO (Mr. H. J. Egan) ..... J. W. Cleary	6 11 0
VULGARITY (Mr. J. K. Cooper) ... Owner	5 11 0
LAST PALM (Mr. W. J. Hilliard) ... Owner	5 11 0
NANNY BANKS (Mr. P. J. Kinsella) ..... T. R. McKeever	5 11 0
PHILIPSTOWN LAD (Mr. H. Hughes) ..... Traille	5 11 0
CHARMING PRINCESS (Mr. J. B. Richards) ..... Owner	6 11 0
ST. JAMES'S GATE (Lady Elveden) ..... Arnott	4 10 13
KILDORRERY STAR (Mr. G. A. Clark) ..... R. Fetherston	4 10 13
CAMOGIE (Mrs. J. J. Maher) ..... (—)	4 10 13
LOVER'S MISS (Mr. P. J. Leonard) ..... Leonard, jun.	4 10 13
CORPORAL TRIM (Mr. D. Malone) ..... Owner	3 10 7
VEN HILL (Mr. J. Ruttle) ..... Owner	3 10 3
BALLYMAKEALY (Mr. J. A. Mangan) ..... Owner	3 10 3

Above are declared runners.

10 BAYBUSH. Unplaced with 11-7 to Ard Macha (11-7), Phœnix Park, August (1m. 7f. 160yds.). Carried 12-7 when winning 2l., 6l. from Knockavon (12-0) and Bourbon's Pride (11-2). Galway July (2m. flat).

40 SOLDENNO. Carried 12-1 when fifth, with Clinty (10-5) sixth, of 10 to Vesuvian (12-8), Navan October (1¾m. hurdles).

00 CURROCK. Unplaced with 10-9 to Ringwood Sun (12-0), Leopardstown, November 20 (2m. 75yds. flat).

03 PHYLACTERY. Carried 8-7 when beaten neck, head by Barnby Moor (8-0) and Putupon (8-0) Manchester November (6f.).

00 TORNTOI. Unplaced with 7-3 to Jovial Prince (8-3), Curragh, October 30 (6f. 63yds.).

0 NO COMPARISON. Unplaced with 11-0 to Resorcine (10-5) Naas November (1¾m. flat).

00 CAPTAIN NEMO. Fell in 'chase won by Jackbook, Navan October. See Corporal Trim.

20 VULGARITY, Fell at Mallow June (hurdles). Carried 11-0 when beaten 2l. by Ringwood Star (10-9), Gowran, June (1¾m hurdles).

4 LOST PALM. Carried 10-13 when fourth of 9 to Ringwood Sun (12-2), Leopardstown, November 6 (1¾m. flat). Philipstown Lad (10-13) was fifth.

00 NANNY BANKS. Carried 11-1 when fifth of 8 to Knockaven (11-10) Dundalk September (1¾m. flat).

40 PHILIPSTOWN LAD. See Lost Palm. Carried 11-0 when fourth of 11 to Chinese Order (11-0), Navan October (1¾m. flat).

0 ST. JAMES'S GATE. Unplaced with 9-0 to Peter's Wall (9-0), Leopardstown August (1m.).

0 LOVER'S MISS. Unplaced with 10-2 to Opticien II. (10-12) Bellewstown July (1m. 5f. hurdles).

10 CORPORAL TRIM. Carried 10-2 when sixth of 13 to Broken Promise (11-5), Naas, November 1 (1¾m flat) Carried 10-10 when winning 4l. from Synacthis (11-5) and Loug John (11-5), Baldoyle September (1¾m. flat). Captain Nemo (11-9) was unplaced.

0 VEN HILL. Unplaced with 8-10 to Bachelor's Bower (9-0), Phœnix Park, March (1m.).

00 BALLYMAKEALY. Unplaced with 10-5 to Baybush (11-9), Naas July (1¾m. flat).

1.30—GLENCAIRN HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Second 15 sovs., third 5 sovs. A handicap. 1½ m.

	Age st. lb.
MARIBOGULDE (Mr. W. J. Kelly) ..... Owner	a 12 7
PHILIP'S FANCY (Mr. F. More O'Ferrall) ..... O'Ferrall	a 12 3
LOUSTIC (Mr. M. Flynn) ..... Owner	a 12 4
CARRIGDOWN (Mr. J. A. Mangan) ..... Owner	5 10 12
GO AS YOU PLEASE (Mrs. A. H. Watt) ..... Stafford	6 10 10
DAVIDSTOWN (Mrs. Joseph Widger) ..... Ashe	5 10 7
BONMAHON (Mr J. J Parkinson) ..... Owner	3 10 7
BARD OF MEATH (Maj. H. C. Crozier) ..... T. R. McKeever	5 10 4
CARTERMOOR (Sir Percy Loraine) ..... O'Ferrall	4 10 0
SERPOLETTE (Mr. R Delany) ... Owner	a 9 9
TOIROSE (Mr. Jas. J. Kelly) ... Kirwan	a 9 7
KNIGHT OF GLENALEMY (Mr. J. T. Purcell) ..... Owner	4 9 7

Above are declared runners.

00 MARIEGOULDE. Last four races were on the flat. Carried 12-7 when beaten 4l., 3l. by Sir Jonah (11-10) and Davidstown (10-2), Naas March (1¼m. hurdles). Carried 12-5 when fourth of 11 to Palm Olive (9-13), Baldoyle February (2m. hurdles). Carrigdown (10-13) was beh.nd.

10 PHILIP'S FANCY. Carried 12-7 when fifth of 19 to Palm Olive (10-4), Curragh April (2m. hurdles), Drogheda (10-6). Bard of Meath (10-6) and Davidstown (9-11) were behind. Carried 12-7 when winning 1½l. 2l. from Lady Consul (10-5) and Pride of Munster (11-6), Leopardstown, December 1936 (2m. 75yds. hurdles).

00 LOUSTIC. Unplaced with 8-6 to Rattle Up (8-3), Curragh October 30 (1¾m.). Carrigdown (8-0) was sixth of 23.

03 CARRIGDOWN. Carried 8-3 when beaten 3¼l., 1½l. by Gadding Queen (8-4) and Shanlough (8-8), Leopardstown November 20 (1m.). Carried 8-0 when fifth of 14 to Glen Leven (7-9) Naas, November 13 (1¾m.). See Loustic, Philip's Fancy and Mariegoulde.

20 GO AS YOU PLEASE. Unplaced with 11-9 to Carnalea (10-7), Naas April 24 (2m. 40 yds. 'chase). Carried 11-9 when beaten 1l. by Astrom (11-3), Naas April 10 (2m. 40 yds. 'chase).

10 DAVIDSTOWN. See Bard of Meath. Carried 10-2 when winning 1½l. 2l. from Puckaboo (9-7) and Ca Ca Ce (11-8). Naas Nov. 1 (2m. hurdles). See Philip's Fancy.

01 BONMAHON Carried 10-12 when winning 2l. 4l. from Monaster Beau (11-7) and Lisdaleen (11-0), Thurles Sept. (2m. flat).

01 BARD OF MEATH. Carried 9-11 when winning 2l. 1l. from Silver Salt (10-8) and Avon Creek (9-5), Leopardstown, Nov. 20 (1¾m. hurdles). Knight of Glenalemy (9-9) was fourth of 14, and Davidstown (10-7) behind See Philip's Fancy.

00 CARTERMOOR. Carried 10-10 when fifth of 10 to Knockmaroon (10 7), Naas Nov. 13 (1¾m. hurdles).

03 SERPOLETTE. Carried 7-5 when beaten 6l., neck, by Russborough (8-1) and Knockmaroon (7-10), Leopardstown, Nov. 6 (2m. flat).

40 TOIROSE. Unplaced with 7-7 to Le Fantome (9-0), Curragh Oct. (1m.). Carried 10-4 when fourth of 8 to Glendine (10-6), Tramore Oct. (2m hurdles).

04 KNIGHT OF GLENALEMY. See Bard of Meath.

2.0—CHRISTMAS STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. Weight for age. 2 m. 175 yds. Age st. lb.

ROYAL DANIELI (Mr. H. C. M'Nally) ..... Walker	6 12 9
VESUVIAN (Mr P. Dunne Cullinan) ..... Arnott	6 12 5
CABIN SIGN (Mr D. Greame) ... Ruttle	a 11 13
ARD ERIN (Mr. J. M. P. Kennedy) ..... Ashe	4 11 2
BOTHAIN (Mr W. W. Ashe) ..... Owner	5 11 2
RGG NOG (Mrs. R. Richards) ... Kirwan	6 10 11
CARRIGANORE (Mr. V. A. Cartwright) ..... Arnott	5 10 8
ACTUP (Mr. H. C. M'Nally) ..... Walker	4 10 8

Above are declared runners.

02 ROYAL DANIELI. Carried 11-1 when beaten 4l. by Brendan's Cottage (11-1), Liverpool Nov. (2¼m. 'chase). Cabin Sign (12-1) fell. Carried 12-7 when fifth of 10 to Pulcher (9-10), Navan, Oct. (3m. 'chase).

10 VESUVIAN. Unplaced with 8-7 to Rattle Up (8-3), Curragh Oct. (1¾m. flat). Carried 12-8 when winning 2l., 3l. from Semville (11-6) and Carrickarnon (12-3), Navan Oct. (1¾m. hurdles).

00 CABIN SIGN. See Royal Danieli. See December Chase.

21 ARD ERIN. Carried 10-4 when winning 6l. from Kerry Chieftain (10-0), Powerstown, Oct. (2m. 2f. 'chase).

14 BOTHAIN. Carried 11-7 when fourth of 9 to Jackbook (11-11), Navan Oct. (2m. 'chase). Carried 11-0 when winning 6l. 4l. from Ballycaghan (10-0) and Bee Catcher (11-7), Mullingar June (2m. 'chase).

00 ACTUP. Unplaced with 10-6 to Owen Mor (9-6) Navan Oct. (1¾m. hurdles).

2.30—DECEMBER STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. A handicap. 3 m. 100 yds.

	Age st. lb.
ASTROM (Mr. A. Barry) ..... Sleator	a 12 0
DECANT (Mr. J. Hilliard) ..... Owner	a 11 4
CABIN SIGN (Mr. D. Greame) ..... Ruttle	a 11 3
FORBIDDEN BATTLE (Mr. T. O'Rourke) ..... Owner	a 10 13
SHACK (Mr. P. Sleator) ..... Owner	a 10 12
PRAYER BOOK (Mr. S. G. Haughton) ..... Owner	a 10 5
NANCY'S COTTAGE (Mr. P. Walsh) ..... Kirwan	a 10 4
KERRY CHIEFTAIN (Mrs. A. M. Mansfield) ..... Hocking	6 10 9

Above are declared runners.

11 ASTROM. Carried 10-11 when winning neck, 4l. from Jackbook (9-11) and Pulcher (11-1) Leopardstown Nov. 20 (3m. 100yds. 'chase). Shack (10-6) was unplaced and Kerry Chieftain (9-7) did not finish. Carried 11-2 when winning 2l., 20l. from Armoured Prince (10-6) and Tullahon (10-0) Leopardstown Dec. 5 (3m. 100yds. 'chase). Forbidden Battle (10-9) fell. Carried 10-3 when winning short head, 8l. from Pulcher (10-13) and Shack (10-11) Naas Nov. 1 (3m. 76yds. 'chase). Cabin Sign (10-12) fell.

11 DECANT. Carried 10-4 when winning distance from Swindon Lad (10-9) Leopardstown Oct. (3m. 100yds. 'chase). Carried 10-9 when winning 3l., 5l. from Thistle Bridge (10-5) and Stickit (11-7) Dundalk Sept. (3m. 'chase).

00 CABIN SIGN. Fell at Liverpool. See Astrom. Carried 11-12 when winning 1l., 30l. from Lady Aileen (10-3) and Iron Cross (10-13) Mallow Oct. (3m. 'chase).

00 FORBIDDEN BATTLE. See Astrom. Unplaced with 10-5 to Pulcher (9-10) Navan Oct. (3m. 'chase).

30 SHACK. See Astrom.

1 PRAYER BOOK. Carried 11-12 when winning short head, 2l. from Stickit (11-5) and Top-rail (10-7) Mare May (3m. 'chase).

00 NANCY'S COTTAGE. Unplaced with 10-5 to Ahaness (11-12) Tramore Aug. (3m. 'chase). Carried 10-6 when winning 14l. from Pucka Shikari (11-6) Galway July (3m. 'chase).

20 KERRY CHIEFTAIN. See Astrom. Carried 10-0 when beaten 6l. by Ard Erin (10-4) Powerstown Oct. (2m. 2f. 'chase).

3.0—CARRICKMINES STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. A handicap. 2 m. 178 yds.

	Age st. lb.
CARRICKARNON (Mr. John Cox) ... Owner	6 12 7
KILDONAN'S HOPE (Mr. O. Fitzpatrick) ..... Brabazon	6 11 10
LADY BARNEY (Mr. A. O'Rourke) ..... Owner	a 11 6
VESUVIAN (Mr P. Dunne Cullinan) ..... Arnott	6 11 5
PETER'S WELL (Mr. Michael M'Donnagh) ..... Parkinson	4 11 0
ARMOURED PRINCE (Mr. M. Cuddy) ..... Usher	a 10 7
FORBIDDEN BATTLE (Mr. T. O'Rourke) ..... Owner	a 10 5
CULTRUMER (Mr. P. J. Leonard) ..... Leonard, jun.	a 10 3
MAR-DIN (Mr. T. Morrow) ..... Turner	a 9 13
BOTHAIN (Mr. W. W. Ashe) ..... Owner	5 11 13
RINGWOOD STAR (Mr. D. Greame) ..... Ruttle	4 11 11
IRIDOS (Mr. J. A. Stevenson) ... Rowlette	a 9 7
SWINDON LAD (Mr. J. A. Mangan) ..... Owner	4 9 7
DERRYKYLE (Mr. J. G. Duggan) ..... Lombard	6 9 7

Above are declared runners.

13 CARRICKARNON. Carried 12-3 when beaten 4l., 3l. by Vesuvian (12-8) and Seville (11-5) Navan October (1¾m. hurdles). Carried 10-10 when winning neck, head from Atco (11-8) and Mar-Din (10-5) Dundalk September (2m 200yds. 'chase). See Cultrumer.

13 LADY BARNEY. Carried 12-4 when beaten 14l., 3l. by Kilmoganny (11-12) and Yeoman (10-10) Limerick October (2m. 200yds. 'chase). With 12-4 finished alone at Listowel (2¼m. 'chase). Puckona (9-7) fell. See Derrykyle.

10 VESUVIAN. See Carrickarnon.

02 ARMOURED PRINCE. Carried 10-8 when beaten 2l. by Astrom (11-2) Leopardstown November 6 (3m. 100yds. 'chase). Forbidden Battle (10-9) fell.

00 FORBIDDEN BATTLE. See Armoured Prince. See December 'Chase.

HONQUAN'S CHANCE

Drinmore Lad Expected to Win with Top-Weight

THERE will be a welcome resumption of racing at Kempton and Wolverhampton to-day, and holiday racegoers will have plenty of opportunities for speculation. The chief event at Kempton is the Lonsdale Hurdle race, for which I give a confident vote to

HONQUAN.

This gelding will be strongly opposed by older horses in Velvet Glove, Enstone, Waylaid and Khordad. He is one of the few three-year-old who has won over two miles this season, and is, in my opinion, easily the best of his age. He is a fluent jumper and combines speed between the obstacles with ability to put in a strong finish.

Velvet Glove defeated a big field at Newbury, and Masquery, who finished third on that occasion, enhanced the form by winning at Sandown. Enstone was, I thought, rather fortunate to beat Talker II. at Birmingham, as the latter stumbled at a critical part of the race.

A useful opinion was held of Waylaid last season, but I would fancy his chance more by the recent heavy fall of snow. Santayana and Dharampur will be two interesting recruits in the field. Both were good class horses on the flat last season, and Dharampur won the Liverpool St. Leger, in which he defeated Cinque Cento and Nadushka. He is reported to have taken very kindly to hurdling.

I have received a good account of Night Owl, who can run for J. Anthony in preference to Achill. Night Owl started favourite in the race won by Khris Kingle at Lingfield last month, and should soon make amends for that defeat.

DRINMORE LAD

will, I think, defy his 12st. 7lb. in the Oatlands Moderate Handicap Steeplechase. He stands for the best class in the race, and showed, when running fourth to Inversible, in the Grand Sefton Steeplechase at Liverpool, that he is nicely forward in condition. Asterabad won convincingly at Sandown last Saturday, and should again account for Rock Lad, Snowden and Fort Argus. Jovial Judge comes into the reckoning on his form with Argental on this course at the beginning of the month, and, as he has been kept in good work at home since he should take a hand in the fighting.

KNIGHT OF TANYA.

who is a winner over the Sunbury track this season, should prove too good for the opposition in the Christmas Handicap Steeplechase. He is a quick jumper and has a useful turn of finishing speed. Peaceful Walter may prove a danger; for Gosden's five-year-old ran Lackpenny to three-quarters of a length at Hurst Park after losing ground at the start. Artful Dodger and Khris Kingle have been doing well recently over hurdles and have shown their ability to jump the bigger obstacles. Que Tal and Santa Luz are others that may be mentioned favourably.

BROKEN REED

did not run up to expectations at Gatwick, but as the opposition in the Twickenham Handicap Hurdle appears to be moderate I think he is worthy of another chance. Bringhurst Lad is well handicapped on his best form, and Tuscan Noble will be suited by this course, while Milton and Abbot's Ferry are not likely to run unbacked.

At Wolverhampton the best bet of the day may be

DOMINICK'S CROSS

in the Christmas Handicap Steeplechase. I formed a good opinion of this six-year-old when he defeated Noble Tipp and Kilcosh Cross at Nottingham, and fully expect him to go on to better things.

DINTON LAD

has shown himself to be in good form, and I fully expect him to make a bold bid for the Penkridge Handicap Steeplechase, while two other attractive propositions are RAM ALONG in the Wyfold Maiden Hurdle Race and CESARION in the Buckley Selling Handicap Hurdle.

WINCANTON CARD

12.45—MERE SELLING HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m. HANDICAP

	Age	st.	lb.
LUMIAR (Lt.-Col. G. Middleton) Willett	a	12	7
NAVY BLUE (Mr. M. Page) ... Private	6	12	7
HEARTBREAK (Mr. F. C. Kiddle) ... Lefebvre	6	12	5
BLACK EAGLE (Mr. G. B. Bates) ... K. Harper	6	11	13
CIRCOURT (Mr. Ernest Smith) ... E. Hobbs	a	11	13
JAF (Mr J. Bearr) ... Pulford	a	11	10
L'ELDORADO (Mrs. L. L. Lewis) ... Private	a	11	9
TOSCANO (Lt.-Col. G. Middleton) ... Willett	4	11	8
PRINCESS AVRIL (Mr. A. E. Berry) ... Gosden	6	11	7
CRUSADE CROSS (Mr. V. Hobbs) ... Hobbs	4	11	7
RUSSLESTONE (Mr. R. Wilson) ... J. Hall	4	11	5
SWEET WILL (Mr. Ashworth) ... D. Hastings	4	11	1
BRAY COTTAGE (Mr. Jackson) Powell	a	11	0
INVERESHIE (Mr. T. Hanbury) ... J. Beary	c	11	0
SEA PIER (Mrs. N. Waddington) ... Gosden	6	11	0
RASTA (Mr. D. Dale) ... Dale	a	11	0
HAREM GUARD (Capt. R. Thompson) ... Thompson	a	10	13
BREADCRUST (Mr. A. J. Renfree) ... Private	4	10	13
GLEN ROSE (Mr. R. Petre) ... Hemsworth	4	10	12
WARDMOTE (Mr. T. F. Hepper) ... J. Davies	5	10	8
RICHARD II. (Mr. J. H. Gordon) ... O. Anthony	6	10	6
CHANTICLEER (Capt. King) ... Hardwicke	3	10	4

1.15—SPARKFORD STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 3 m 0 yds.

	Age	st.	lb.
FRENCH MANDATE (Mr. Scott) ... E. Hobbs	a	12	0
GOLDEN MILLER (Miss Paget) ... O. Anthony	a	12	0
STOEP (Mrs. Whitehouse) ... Private	a	12	0
BUCK WILLOW (Capt. M. G. Roddick) ... F. Thrale	a	12	0
BEHIND THE BUSH (Mr. N. F. Andrews) ... Andrews	a	11	0
TOGARDO (Mr. I. V. Ashworth) ... D. Hastings	a	11	0
BROWN GELLY (Capt. Boyd) C. Boyd	a	11	0
FLYING MINUTES (Mrs. Clark) ... R. Hobbs	a	11	0
DAVY JONES (Lord Mildmay) ... Mildmay	a	11	0
SANTA LUZ (Mr. J. Morant) ... Morant	6	11	0
STRAIGHT LARCH (Miss R. R. Bailey) ... R. Bennett	a	10	7
CASTLE IRWELL (Mr. Bostwick) ... I. Anthony	a	10	4
FROBISHER (Miss M. F. Cohen) ... Powell	6	10	7
LANCEHEAD (Lady Normanton) ... Private	6	10	7
ABBEYGATE (Mr. James V. Rank) ... Evans	6	10	7
SOUTH FALLOCH (Mr. J. D. Summers) ... T. Morgan	a	10	7
TEME GARTER (Mr. Tory) ... Private	a	10	7
DOUBLE CROSSED (Mr. J. D. Whitney) ... I. Anthony	5	10	7
RATHFINLAND (Mr. Hastings) Owner	a	10	7
DORRIE (Mr. D. Hastings) ... Owner	4	10	0
GLOMIANA (Miss R. Bazley) ... R. Bennett	a	10	0
KILDARE IV. (Capt. J. R. F. Benson) ... Private	a	10	0
TOASTMASTER (Mr. D. Slater) Private	6	10	0
JSRIC (Capt. R. Clayton) ... King	a	10	0
TITYUS (Col. J. A. Fairhurst) ... Pease	5	10	0
INHERITOR (Mr. C. Hennecart) ... Gubbins	5	10	0
LAC D'ANNECY (Mr. C. Hennecart) ... O. Anthony	6	10	0
POMPOUS (Mrs. S. Kaye) ... Willett	a	10	0
JACK FRIAR (Mr. Marchant) ... Dale	5	10	0
LOP EARED GIRL (Mr. J. Rank) ... Evans	a	10	0
SIR JINKS (Col. R. Robinson) ... Powell	5	10	0
DELAGRANDE (Mr. J. Snow) ... Beeby	5	10	0
PIRITA (Lord Stalbridge) ... Stalbridge	5	10	0
KHARTOUM (Mr. P. Vallender) ... Winser	a	10	0
ORANSTOWN (Capt. Westmacott) ... Gosden	a	10	0
PARACHUTE III. (Mr Wigan) ... Private	6	10	0

1.45—DORSET HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
BEACHWAY (Mr. James V. Rank) ... Evans	6	12	12
IRISH STEW (Miss R. Jameson) Beeby	5	12	12
HENRI'S CHOICE (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw) ... W. Stubbs	a	12	7
JACK STEVAN (Mr. A. W. Marchant) ... Dale	4	12	2
CACTUS II. (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw) ... W. Stubbs	a	12	1
CAKEWALKER (Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark) ... R. Hobbs	5	12	0
LAGOPEDE (Capt. T. N. Rose) Beeby	a	11	8
TRIBULATION (Ld. Fairhaven) ... Pease	6	11	6
THRIMBLE (Mr. S. McGregor) (10lb. ex.) ... Gubbins	6	11	5
SPANISH STATE (Mr. V. Wadey) ... Pulford	6	11	1
HEADQUARTERS (Mr. D. Hastings) ... Owner	5	11	1
APOGEE (Ld. Stavordale) ... P. Beary	6	11	1
HIKER (Mr. J. G. R. Orchard) ... Bridgman	a	11	0
BLACK DUNCAN (Mr. G. M. King) ... King	a	11	0
SINCERITY (Maj. E. C. Morel) Private	4	11	0
OKAY (Mr. F. H. Dixon) ... P. Thrale	6	11	0
FLYING ADMIRAL (Mr. J. R. Anthony) ... J. Anthony	5	11	0
ST. BERNARD (Mr. T. B. Cullinan) ... J. Beary	4	10	12
IRISH BRIAR (Mr. Arrowsmith) Beary	4	10	11
SIMPLY SAMMY (Mr. J. Rank) Evans	6	10	10
FORWARD (Mr. T. Cook) ... J. Hall	4	10	8
PONESSAN (Mrs. A. S. Kilpatrick) ... Kilpatrick	6	10	7
UNCANNY II (Col. J. A. Fairhurst) ... Pease	a	10	7
LUMIAR (Lt.-Col. G. Middleton) Willett	a	10	4
SKYTOR (Mr. F. Ambrose Clark) ... I. Anthony	4	10	4
BOGSKAR (Ld. Stalbridge) ... Stalbridge	4	10	3
BURLINGTON BILL (Mr. A. Masters) ... I. Anthony	5	10	0
LED ASTRAY (Mr. T. Muir) ... Private	a	10	0
PAT O'SHAUGHNESSY (Mr. A. J. Rees) ... Private	6	10	0

2.15—CHRISTMAS HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
DELAPAIX (Mr. J. B. Snow) ... Beeby	a	12	7
CAREWALKER (Mrs. Clark) R. Hobbs	5	12	6
HEL ET BON (Mr. Whitelaw) W. Stubbs	6	12	6
BACHELOR'S HALL (Mr. Moral) ... Private	a	11	10
RANGE OF ARROW (Mrs. Ryder) ... O. Anthony	a	11	3
JACK'S THE BOY (Mr. J. Ryan) ... Willett	6	11	7
HOLBETON POINT (Lord Mildmay) ... H. Whiteman	a	11	5
SANTA LUZ (Mr. J. Morant) ... Morant	6	11	5
FLYING MINUTES (Mrs. F. Clark) ... R. Hobbs	a	11	4
KINSHIP (Mr. J. Rank) ... Evans	a	11	3
SILENT JACK (Col. Brian Robinson) ... Powell	3	11	2
SHANNON BREEZE (Mr. Stockdale) ... J. Hall	a	11	0
SICKLEBAR (Mr. J. Tetley) ... Pease	a	10	12
BELTED COLLEEN (Mr. Williams) ... Private	6	10	11
ECCENTRICITY (Capt. Fairhurst) ... Vivian	a	10	11
ARTESIAN (Mr. N. Dixon) ... P. Thrale	a	10	8
COURTESY (Mr. P. Herbert) ... W. Nightingall	a	10	4
SQUIRE MORRIS (Sir R. Wills) Nugent	a	10	4
MURANO (Mr. Aplin) ... Private	a	10	4
JOLLY YEOMAN (Mr. Kiddle) Lefebvre	4	10	3
TOM OLIVER (Mr. L. Dorse) ... Dorse	a	10	0
SKRUN BRIDGE (Mr. Renfree) Private	4	10	0
GREAT LAD (Capt. G. Blake) ... J. Anthony	4	10	0
SURF RIDE (Mrs. Clark) ... Lucas			
ROMAN TORCH (Mr. J. Rank) ... D. Hastings	6	10	0

2.45—NOVICES' HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
PRINCE ROUGE (Mrs. D. Thomas) ... W. Stubbs	a	12	5
KESHAR (Sir Y. R. Holkar) ... J. Hall	4	12	1
MANTEAU ROYAL (Mr. Whitelaw) ... W. Stubbs	4	12	1
ANTIC (Mr. O. Anthony) ... O. Anthony	6	11	12
THE TALKER II. (Mr. F. A. Clark) ... I. Anthony	5	11	12
HAWK-EYE (Mrs. Greenslade) ... J. Hall	5	11	12
DUN OWL (Col. Fairhurst) ... V. Hobbs	5	11	12
ORONTES (Mr. D. Hastings) ... Owner	5	11	12
FARMER GILES (Mr. Henderson) ... Beeby	6	11	12
LAC D'ANNECY (Mr. Hennecart) ... O. Anthony	6	11	12
NAGESH (Sir Y. R. Holkar) ... J. Hall	5	11	12
NO PARKING (Mrs. Jackson) ... Pulford	a	11	12
STEEL BLUE (Mrs. G. King) ... King	5	11	12
HAPPY MANMORE (Mrs. H. Lewis) ... Willett	a	11	12
ABOUKIR (Lord Normanton) ... Private	5	11	12
LE KIRGHIZE (Mrs. J. Powell) ... Powell	5	11	12
STOP PRESS (Mr. J. Rank) ... Evans	a	11	12
GALLANT (Mrs. A. Renfree) ... Private	a	11	12
KILSTAR (Capt. Rodrick) ... Thrale	6	11	12
BURMAN (Mr. G. Runsey) ... Wightman	a	11	12
LOOSE (Lord Stavordale) ... P. Beary	5	11	12
NIGHT OWL (Mr. J. Whitney) ... J. Anthony	5	11	12
MIDGUARD (Mr. J. Whitney) ... J. Anthony	5	11	12
KNIGHTSBROOK (Mr. J. Whitney) ... J. Anthony	5	11	12
COIRE-AN-DHUICH (Sir R. Wills) ... Nugent	5	11	12
SIR BERTIE (Mr. P. Thrale) P. Thrale	4	11	8
JUST JACK (Mr. J. Waters) ... Braime	4	11	8
LASSKAR (Lord Stalbridge) Stalbridge	4	11	8
ESQUEMELING (Mr. J. de Rothschild) ... C. Pratt	4	11	8
DIXIE KID (Lord Mildmay) ... H. Whiteman	4	11	8
CHAUCER LAD (Mr. Manners) Private	4	11	8
JOBURG (Mr. J. Lucas) ... D. Hastings	4	11	8
MOONSTRUCK (Mr. A. Kilpatrick) ... Kilpatrick	4	11	8
CLARISSE III. (Maj. Heyworth) Powell	4	11	8
MONASTER BRAE (Mr. Hastings) ... Hardwicke	4	11	8
TREGARTH (Lord Glanely) ... Beeby	4	11	8
BARMEATH (Lord Bellew) ... R. Hobbs	4	11	8
INFANT (Mr. T. B. Donnelly) ... Gilbert	4	11	8
EFFORTLESS (Mr. Dufossé) ... Private	4	11	8
FALSE BAY (Lt.-Col. Wingfield) ... R. Bennett	4	11	8
AGILE (Mr. B. van Cutsem) ... Laurence	3	10	12
BLACKER (Mrs. Bloomfield) G. Bowsher	3	10	5
BARN BUILDER (Mr. Bresland) ... Andrews	3	10	5
PRINCE SCARLET (Capt. Bridges) ... I. Anthony	3	10	5
KHUSHI (Lord Cadogan) ... I. Anthony	3	10	5
ROMAN BOOK (Mr. Hutchinson) ... Hardwicke	3	10	5
NITON (Mr. D. Jackson) ... Powell	3	10	5
MEMPHIS (Mr. N. Jerram) ... Hardwicke	3	10	5
SHINE (Mr. F. Kiddle) ... Lefebvre	3	10	5
MUSICAL (Mr. Lewis) ... Private	3	10	5
HARALD (Mr. S. McGregor) ... Gubbins	3	10	5
CIVIL SERVANT (Mr. S. McGregor) ... Gubbins	3	10	5
PRINCE MEMNON (Lord Normanton) ... Private	3	10	5
RED ROVER (Lord Stalbridge) ... Stalbridge	3	10	5

3.15—NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
LATEEVE (Mr. F. J. Honour) ... R. Bennett	6	12	0
L'ESTAQUE (Sir David Llewellyn) ... Powell	6	12	0
BENEFIT (Sir David Llewellyn) ... R. Bennett	6	12	0
DIOGENES (Miss J. Clayton) McVittie	5	11	11
RHODEUS (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos) ... I. Anthony	5	11	11
MORELLA (Mr. D. Dale) ... Dale	6	11	7
ARCOLA (Capt. A. Gee) ... P. Thrale	6	11	7
BRAEMAR (Ld. Dalhousie) ... Dale	6	11	7
KNIGHT GAMBLER (Mr. Hutchinson) ... Hardwicke	6	11	7
SPRIGHTLY ARCHER (Mr. Mildmay) ... J. Hall	6	11	7
ICE-AGE (Mr. James V. Rank) Evans	6	11	7
LOUGH SOLAK (Mr. Schilizzi) Vivian	6	11	7
REDMORE (Capt. J. W. Bridges) ... I. Anthony	5	11	4
DIMENSION (Mr. J. Morant) ... Morant	5	11	4
LE KIRGHIZE (Mrs. J. B. Powell) ... Powell	5	11	4
FLAMING TORCH (Mrs. A. Lloyd Thomas) ... Andrews	4	10	10
LUTON (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw) ... C. Boyd	4	10	10
ST. BERNARD (Mr. T. B. Cullinan) ... W. Stubbs	5	11	4
EMBARRASSED (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw) ... W. Stubbs	4	11	3
THE RUFF (Mr. N. E. Andrews) ... Andrews	4	10	10
TROENE (Mrs. Boyd) ... C. Boyd	4	10	10
HILARION (Mr. D. Hastings) ... D. Hastings	4	10	10
OWENS (Mr. W. Hutchinson) Hardwicke	4	10	10
FUNNY STUFF (Col. H. L. Ismay) ... Powell	4	10	10
OLIGARCH (Ld. Stalbridge) Stalbridge	4	10	10
BRUBSKAR (Ld. Stalbridge) Stalbridge	4	10	10

WINCANTON RUNNERS

Probable runners at Wincanton on Monday include the following:—

12.45—Sweet Will (Owner), Chanticleer (G. Turner), Harem Guard (Thompson).

1.15—Golden Miller (F. Walwyn), Togaro (Owner), Juberitor (Owner), Rathfriland (Owner), Dorrie (Owner), Aplin), Toast (Owner), Dorrie (Owner), Master), Lucas), Abbeygate.

1.45—Headquarters, Apogee, Irish Briar, Thimble (Capt. Harding).

2.15—Kinship, Eccentricity (F. Walwyn), Roman Torch (F. Wolfe).

2.45—Blacker (H. Tamlin), Prince Scarlet (C. Moore), Memphis (C. Laver), Joburg (P. Wall), Harald (Capt. Harding), Stop Press, Apogee, Prince Rouge (M. Prendergast), Roman Book (F. Walwyn).

3.15—Redmore (Mr. M. Jones), Hilarion (F. Walwyn), Owens (C. Laver), Ice Age, Lough Solak (F. Walwyn).

RACE MEETINGS THIS WEEK

IRELAND.

To-day—Leopardstown, Limerick.
To-morrow—Leopardstown.
Saturday—Baldoyle.

ENGLAND.

To-day—Kempton, Wolverhampton, Wincanton, Sedgefield.
To-morrow—Kempton, Wolverhampton.
Wednesday—Cheltenham.
Thursday—Newbury.
Friday—Newbury.
Saturday—Manchester, Plumpton.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

CLUB MATCHES

PEMBROKE W. 2nd ... 2 SHIELMARTIN ... 1

At Serpentine avenue Misses McGowan and Nealy scored for Pembroke Wanderers and Miss Fielding for Shielmartin.

LORETO PAST ... 5 BRAY LADIES ... 3

At Woodbrook. Misses F. Flynn (2 and Kehoe (3) scored for Loreto Past, and Misses O. Dacus, Joyce and V. Dacus for Bray Ladies.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Muckross v. Pembroke W., Rathmines, 11.30. Old Colleges six-a-side competition, Sydney Parade, 10.30.
Nass v. Loreto Past, Nass, 3 o'c.

CROSS-COUNTRY

ST. JAMES'S GATE CLUB'S INVITATION RUN

With the Donore Harriers in Belfast, to meet the Willowfield Harriers in a friendly run, the usual Christmas fixture of the club, the ten miles handicap for the Waterhouse-Byrne Shield, was postponed to St. Patrick's Day, and the only cross-country activity in the Dublin district during the holidays was the invitation meet of the St. James's Gate Athletic Club at Crumlin yesterday. Seven of the clubs affiliated to the N.C.A. accepted the invitation, and 93 runners took part in an outing of over an hour. The clubs represented were Phoenix, St. Machin's, St. Brigid's, St. James's Gate Athletic Club, Dublin City Harriers, Inchicore; St. James's Gate, and Metropolitan A.C.

KEMPTON PARK PROGRAMME

SELECTIONS

Chiswick Steeplechase—Sir Alwin.
Kew Hurdle—Eshton.
Lonsdale Hurdle—Honquan (Kempton) and Dominick's Cross (Wolverhampton).
Oatlands Steeplechase—Drinmore Lad.
Christmas Steeplechase—Knight of Tanya.
Twickenham Hurdle—Broken Reed.

SUGGESTED DOUBLE.

Honquan (Kempton) and Dominick's Cross (Wolverhampton).

OLD SPORT ... —— 100/8
004 MY KNIGHT ... —— 100/8
121 ESHTON ... J. Fawcus 11/4
3 STAR PRINCESS ... S. Ingham 100/8
40 CLUTCH ... —— 100/8
P. Welch rides Black Velvet or Lovely Night.

2.0—LONSDALE HURDLE RACE of 500 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
VELVET GLOVE (Mr. V. Smith) ... Beeby	5	12	5
ENSTONE (Mr. Hennecart) ... D. Pensaant	4	12	0
CONFIRM (Mr. H. T. de V. Clifton) ... Earl	6	11	12
LAC D'ANNECY (Mr. Hennecart) ... O. Anthony	6	11	12
WAYLAID (Mr. J. Rank) ... Evans	5	11	12
SCOLE (Wing-Comdr. Read) ... Read	5	11	12
NIGHT OWL (Mr. J. H. Whitney) ... J. Anthony	5	11	12
KHORDAD (Mr. Browne) ... T. R. Leader	4	11	7
HAM (Mr. A. Gibson) ... Freake	4	11	7
TREGARTH (Lord Glanely) ... Beeby	4	11	7
TWINFORD (Mr. S. Norman) W. Madden	4	11	7
HUNTING CROP (Mr. Millington) ... Kilpatrick	4	11	7
SOUTHERN BOW (Mrs. Oldham) ... J. Anthony	5	11	12
JIUDO (Lt.-Col. J. Ward) ... J. Beary	4	11	7
CORPACH (Fr. Whitelaw) ... W. Stubbs	4	11	7
HIGHLAND GIPSY (Brig.-Gen. Winser) ... Winser	4	11	7
HONQUAN (Mr. B. Davis) ... F. Hartigan	3	10	12
PONDRA (Mr. Bezner) ... W. Nightingall	3	10	0
SANTAYANA (Mr. P. Thrale) ... P. Thrale	3	10	0
MONK LAW (Col. Hasell) W. Nightingall	3	10	0
KNIGHT OF THE BORDER (Mr. Hanbury) ... Earl	3	10	0
BOOMERANG (Mr. Hutchinson) ... Hurt	3	10	0
BROADOAKS (Mr. Hutchinson) ... Hurt	3	10	0
TADOUSAC (Mrs. A. James) I. Anthony	3	10	0
DHARAMPUR (H.H. Aga Khan) Duller	3	10	0
KEVER SURPRISED (Lord Portal) ... H. Brown	3	10	0
UTRECHT (Maj. P. Magor) ... Laurence	3	10	0
ACHILL (Mr. J. H. Whitney) J. Anthony	3	10	0
BURLINGTON LASS (Mr. F. Wilmot) ... Collinson	3	16	0

1.30—KEW SELLING HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. For three-year-olds only. 1¼ m.

	Age	st.	lb.
ANCIENT PRINCE (Mr. A. E. Berry) ... Gosden	11	0	
MERRY NOBLEMAN (Mr. Cottrell) ... J. Waugh	11	0	
PHILCO (Mr. Carleton L. Dyer) ... Collinson	11	0	
ANISETTE (Mr. P. Ellison) ... Manby	11	0	
BABEL (Maj. J. M. J. Evans) F. Hartigan	11	0	
GISBOROUGH (Mr. J. Prendergast) ... Powell	11	0	
MERULA (Mr. W. Fry) ... D. Pensaant	11	0	
LOST SUN (Mr. J. Huguin) ... Hodges	11	0	
FLEET STREET (Mr. W. Hutchinson) ... Pulford	11	0	
PHARAOH'S DAUGHTER (Mr. Hutchinson) ... Rayson	11	0	
LORD COPPERTOP (Mr. Ismay) H. Turner	11	0	
BOD EACH WAY (Mrs. Jegdwin) P. Thrale	11	0	
BENEFICIARY (Mr. Jopling) ... Master of Gray	11	0	
SNORTER (Mr. T. E. Leader) T. E. Leader	11	0	
PRELUDE (Mr. C. A. Lister) ... Hedges	11	0	
ALERTE (Lady Lyons) ... Earl	11	0	
LACROSSE (Mrs. E. H. McCarthy) ... H. Harrison	11	0	
VIOLA (Mr. E. Mann) ... H. Turner	11	0	
GHOST FISH (Mrs. P. W. Owen) ... Thrale	11	0	
LOFTUS HALL (Miss Paget) ... O. Anthony	11	0	
KILLARNEY BOY (Miss Paget) ... W. Nightingall	11	0	
HURACAN (Mr. F. D. Pirie) ... Collinson	11	0	
BLACK VELVET (Mr. H. Smyth) H. Smyth	11	0	
DOUBLE BLUE (Mr. W. B. Rhodell) Tabor	11	0	
LUCKY BERT (Miss Gee) ... Private	11	0	
LOVELY NIGHT (Mr. H. Smyth) W. Smyth	11	0	
HARRISBURG (Mr. C. J. Tabor) ... Tabor	11	0	
STYMIE (Mr. T. Thomas) ... I. Anthony	11	0	
PETER'S GEM (Mrs. Power) ... O. Anthony	11	0	
OLD SPORT (Mr. J. C. Waugh) J. Waugh	11	0	
MY KNIGHT (Capt. N. Tufnell) Bankier	11	0	
LE BIRNIN (Mr. G. Whitelaw) ... Hanley	11	0	
CLUTCH (Mr. W. G. Wood) ... I. Anthony	11	0	
STAR PRINCESS (Mr. S. Wootton) Wootten	11	0	
FSHTON (Sir M. Wilson) W. Nightingall	11	0	

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting	Forecast.
1	ANCIENT PRINCE ... D. Butchers		10/1
0	MERRY NOBLEMAN ... G. Little		100/8
400	PHILCO ... F. Steward		100/8
210	ANISETTE ... A. Mullins		6/1
0	BABEL ...		100/8
00	GISBOROUGH ...		100/8
0	MERULA ... J. Hickey		100/8
00	LOST SUN ...		100/8
0	FLEET STREET ... E. Vinall		100/8
	LORD COPPERTOP ... T. Elder		7/2
004	BOD EACH WAY ...		100/8
	BENEFICIARY ... E. C. Taylor		100/8
4	SNORTER ... A. Goodwill		100/8
	PRELUDE ...		100/8
0	ALERTE ...		100/8
00	LACROSSE ...		8/1
100	DOUBLE BLUE ... G. Burry		8/1
	or		
	HARRISBURG ... G. Burry		8/1
040	LUCKY BERT ... C. Mulligan		100/8
0	BLACK VELVET ...		100/8
00	LOVELY NIGHT ... E. Williams		10/1
	STYMIE ... K. Jones		100/8
004	PETER'S GEM ...		

1.45—WYFOLD MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 250 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
VELVET GLOVE (Mr. V. Smith) Beeby	5	11	10
KESHAR (Sir Y. R. Holkar) ... J. Hall	4	11	7
HENRYBURY (Mr. Clark) ... I. Anthony	5	11	5
RED PENNANT (Mr. Clive) ... Roberts	5	11	5
ST. BOTOLPH (Mr. P. Dennis) ... F. Brown	5	11	5
GLYN VALLEY (Mr. H. D. Dennis) ... P. Dennis	5	11	5
RYE GRASS (Maj. Furlong) P. Furlong	a	11	3
TRAM BELLE (Mr. Holden) ... T. R. Leader	a	11	0
NAGESH (Sir Y. R. Holkar) ... J. Hall	5	11	5
HORCHATTE (Mr. H. Lester) ... Hobbs	6	11	3
GARTBALDI (Mrs. Lyster) T. E. Leader	5	11	0
LOOK ALIVE (Mr. C. Nicholson) Private	a	11	3
TELSCOMBE SQUIRE (Mr. Palethorpe) ... D. Pennant	5	11	3
FOOLIGNE (Mr. E. Parker) ... E. Parker	5	11	3
SAMARKAND (Dowager Lady Penrhyn) ... D. Pennant	5	11	3
KNIGHTLY ERRAND (Mr. J. Rank) ... Evans	5	11	3
G. B. (Mr. J. Rank) ... Evans	5	11	3
BOLESWORTH (Mr. C. R. Taylor) ... Cosmthwaite	6	11	3
WOODHOUSE (Mr. Tucker) ... E. Parker	6	11	3
CONGE (Mr. G. Whitelaw) ... W. Stubbs	5	11	3
FOXFIELD (Sir A. Bailey) ... I. Anthony	4	11	0
BOSAMBO (Mr. J. Beary) ... J. Beary	4	11	0
ROMAN HACKLE (Mr. Bellville) ... Bankier	4	11	0
YORKSHIRE WOLDS (Mr. Burn) Burn	4	11	0
SPARTAN III. (Lord Dufferin and Ava) ... M. Marsh	4	11	0
PRAXITELES (Mr. A. Francis) R. Jarvis	4	11	0
BORRISOKANE (Msl. N. Furlong) ... F. Furlong	4	11	0
HAM (Mr. A. Gibson) ... Freake	4	11	0
ARGENT (Mr. T. Harris) ... Edgeley	4	11	0
COQUERET (Mrs. Haworth) ... Houghton	4	11	0
PRUDENT SEN (Mrs. H. Whitehead) ... W. Payne	4	11	0
VANBRUGH (Mr. Houghton) Houghton	4	11	0
HORDSVILLE (Wing-Comdr. James) ... Norris	4	11	0
KING CHARLES (Sir A. McAlpine) ... Barthropp	4	11	0
HUNTING CROP (Mr. Millington) ... Kilpatrick	4	11	0
REMEMBER II. (Lord Portal) R. Brown	4	11	0
LOVER'S QUARREL (Mr. R. Reed) ... Gilbert	4	11	0
TELEPHONE (Mr. Thorburn) ... Gilbert	4	11	0
SAN MARCO (Mrs. Vallance) ... Private	4	11	0
SENATOR (Capt.

FULL TEXT OF THE NEW CONSTITUTION WHICH COMES INTO OPERATION ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Bunreacht na hÉireann

In the Name of the Most Holy Trinity, from Whom is all authority and to Whom, as our final end, all actions both of men and States must be referred,

We, the people of Eire,

Humbly acknowledging all our obligations to our Divine Lord, Jesus Christ, Who sustained our fathers through centuries of trial,

Gratefully remembering their heroic and unremitting struggle to regain the rightful independence of our Nation,

And seeking to promote the common good, with due observance of Prudence, Justice and Charity, so that the dignity and freedom of the individual may be assured, true social order attained, the unity of our country restored, and concord established with other nations,

Do hereby adopt, enact, and give to ourselves this Constitution.

THE NATION

ARTICLE 1.

The Irish nation hereby affirms its inalienable, indefeasible, and sovereign right to choose its own form of Government, to determine its relations with other nations, and to develop its life, political, economic and cultural, in accordance with its own genius and traditions.

ARTICLE 2.

The national territory consists of the whole island of Ireland, its islands and the territorial seas.

ARTICLE 3.

Pending the re-integration of the national territory, and without prejudice to the right of the Parliament and Government established by this Constitution to exercise jurisdiction over the whole of that territory, the laws enacted by that Parliament shall have the like area and extent of application as the laws of Saorstat Eireann and the like extra-territorial effect.

THE STATE

ARTICLE 4.

The name of the State is *Eire*, or, in the English language, *Ireland*.

ARTICLE 5.

Ireland is a sovereign, independent, democratic State.

ARTICLE 6.

1. All powers of government, legislative, executive and judicial, derive, under God, from the people, whose right it is to designate the rulers of the State and, in final appeal, to decide all questions of national policy, according to the requirements of the common good.

2. These powers of government are exercisable only by, or on the authority of, the organs of State established by this Constitution.

ARTICLE 7.

The national flag is the tricolour of green, white and orange.

ARTICLE 8.

1. The Irish language as the national language is the first official language.

2. The English language is recognised as a second official language.

3. Provision may, however, be made by law for the exclusive use of either of the said languages for any one or more official purposes, either throughout the State or in any part thereof.

ARTICLE 9.

1. 1° On the coming into operation of this Constitution any person who was a citizen of Saorstat Eireann immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall become and be a citizen of Ireland.

2° The future acquisition and loss of Irish nationality and citizenship shall be determined in accordance with law.

3° No person may be excluded from Irish nationality and citizenship by reason of the sex of such person.

2. Fidelity to the nation and loyalty to the State are fundamental political duties of all citizens.

ARTICLE 10.

1. All natural resources, including the air and all forms of potential energy, within the jurisdiction of the Parliament and Government established by this Constitution and all royalties and franchises within that jurisdiction belong to the State subject to all estates and interests therein for the time being lawfully vested in any person or body.

2. All land and all mines, minerals and waters which belonged to Saorstat Eireann immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution belong to the State to the same extent as they then belonged to Saorstat Eireann.

3. Provision may be made by law for the management of the property which belongs to the State by virtue of this Article and for the control of the alienation, whether temporary or permanent, of that property.

4. Provision may also be made by law for the management of land, mines, minerals and waters acquired by the State after the coming into operation of this Constitution and for the control of the alienation, whether temporary or permanent, of the land, mines, minerals and waters so acquired.

ARTICLE 11.

All revenues of the State from whatever source arising shall, subject to such exception as may be provided by law, form one fund, and shall be appropriated for the purposes and in the manner and subject to the charges and liabilities determined and imposed by law.

THE PRESIDENT

ARTICLE 12.

1. There shall be a President of Ireland (*Uachtarán na hÉireann*), hereinafter called the President, who shall take precedence over all other persons in the State and who shall exercise and perform the powers and functions conferred on the President by this Constitution and by law.

2. 1° The President shall be elected by direct vote of the people.

2° Every citizen who has the right to vote at an election for members of Dáil Eireann shall have the right to vote at an election for President.

3° The voting shall be by secret ballot and on the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.

3. 1° The President shall hold office for seven years from the date upon which he enters upon his office, unless before the expiration of that period he dies, or resigns, or is removed from office, or becomes permanently incapacitated, such incapacity being established to the satisfaction of the Supreme Court consisting of not less than five judges.

2° A person who holds, or who has held, office as President, shall be eligible for re-election to that office once, but only once.

3° An election for the office of President shall be held not later than, and not earlier than the sixtieth day before, the date of the expiration of the term of office of every President, but in the event of the removal from office of the President or of his death, resignation, or permanent incapacity established as aforesaid, an election for the office of President shall be held within sixty days after such event.

4. 1° Every citizen who has reached his thirty-fifth year of age is eligible for election to the office of President.

2° Every candidate for election, not a former or retiring President, must be nominated either by

i. not less than twenty persons, each of whom is at the time a member of one of the Houses of the Oireachtas, or

ii. by the Councils of not less than four administrative Counties (including County Boroughs) as defined by law.

3° No person and no such Council shall be entitled to subscribe to the nomination of more than one candidate in respect of the same election.

4° Former or retiring Presidents may become candidates on their own nomination.

5° Where only one candidate is nominated for the office of President it shall not be necessary to proceed to a ballot for his election.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Article, elections for the office of President shall be regulated by law.

6. 1° The President shall not be a member of either House of the Oireachtas.

2° If a member of either House of the Oireachtas be elected President, he shall be deemed to have vacated his seat in that House.

3° The President shall not hold any other office or position of emolument.

7. The first President shall enter upon his office as soon as may be after his election, and every subsequent President shall enter upon his office on the day following the expiration of the term of office of his predecessor or as soon as may be thereafter or, in the event of his predecessor's removal from office, death, resignation, or permanent incapacity established as provided by Section 3 hereof, as soon as may be after the election.

8. The President shall enter upon his office by taking and subscribing publicly, in the presence of members of both Houses of the Oireachtas, of Judges of the Supreme Court and of the High Court, and other public personages, the following declaration:—

"In the presence of Almighty God I do solemnly and sincerely promise and declare that I will maintain the Constitution of Ireland and uphold its laws, that I will fulfil my duties faithfully and conscientiously in accordance with the Constitution and the law, and that I will dedicate my abilities to the service and welfare of the people of Ireland. May God direct and sustain me."

9. The President shall not leave the State during his term of office save with the consent of the Government.

10. 1° The President may be impeached for stated misbehaviour.

2° The charge shall be preferred by either of the Houses of the Oireachtas, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of this section.

3° A proposal to either House of the Oireachtas to prefer a charge against the President under this section shall not be entertained unless upon a notice of motion in writing signed by not less than thirty members of that House.

4° No such proposal shall be adopted by either of the Houses of the Oireachtas save upon a resolution of that House supported by not less than two-thirds of the total membership thereof.

5° When a charge has been preferred by either House of the Oireachtas, the other House shall investigate the charge, or cause the charge to be investigated.

6° The President shall have the right to appear and to be represented at the investigation of the charge.

7° If, as a result of the investigation, a resolution be passed supported by not less than two-thirds of the total membership of the House of the Oireachtas by which the charge was investigated, or caused to be investigated, declaring that the charge preferred against the President has been sustained and that the misbehaviour, the subject of the charge, was such as to render him unfit to continue in office, such resolution shall operate to remove the President from his office.

11. 1° The President shall have an official residence in or near the City of Dublin.

2° The President shall receive such emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

3° The emoluments and allowances of the President shall not be diminished during his term of office.

ARTICLE 13.

1. 1° The President shall, on the nomination of Dáil Eireann, appoint the Taoiseach, that is, the head of the Government or Prime Minister.

2° The President shall, on the nomination of the Taoiseach with the previous approval of Dáil Eireann, appoint the other members of the Government.

3° The President shall, on the advice of the Taoiseach, accept the resignation or terminate the appointment of any member of the Government.

2. 1° Dáil Eireann shall be summoned and dissolved by the President on the advice of the Taoiseach.

2° The President may in his absolute discretion refuse to dissolve Dáil Eireann on the advice of a Taoiseach who has ceased to retain the support of a majority in Dáil Eireann.

3° The President may at any time, after consultation with the Council of State, convene a meeting of either or both of the Houses of the Oireachtas.

3. 1° Every Bill passed or deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas shall require the signature of the President for its enactment into law.

2° The President shall promulgate every law made by the Oireachtas.

4. The supreme command of the Defence Forces is hereby vested in the President.

5. 1° The exercise of the supreme command of the Defence Forces shall be regulated by law.

2° All commissioned officers of the Defence Forces shall hold their commissions from the President.

6. The right of pardon and the power to commute or remit punishment imposed by any court exercising criminal jurisdiction are hereby vested in the President, but such power of commutation or remission may, except in capital cases, also be conferred by law on other authorities.

7. 1° The President may, after consultation with the Council of State, communicate with the Houses of the Oireachtas by message or address on any matter of national or public importance.

2° The President may, after consultation with the Council of State, address a message to the Nation at any time on any such matter.

3° Every such message or address must, however, have received the approval of the Government.

8. 1° The President shall not be answerable to either House of the Oireachtas or to any court for the exercise and performance of the powers and functions of his office or for any act done or purporting to be done by him in the exercise and performance of these powers and functions.

2° The behaviour of the President may, however, be brought under review in either of the Houses of the Oireachtas for the purposes of section 10 of Article 12 of this Constitution, or by any court, tribunal or body appointed or designated by either of the Houses of the Oireachtas for the investigation of a charge under section 10 of the said Article.

9. The powers and functions conferred on the President by this Constitution shall be exercisable and performable by him only on the advice of the Government, save where it is provided by this Constitution that he shall act in his absolute discretion or after consultation with or in relation to the Council of State, or on the advice or nomination of, or on receipt of any other communication from, any other person or body.

10. Subject to this Constitution, additional powers and functions may be conferred on the President by law.

11. No power or function conferred on the President by law shall be exercisable or performable by him save only on the advice of the Government.

ARTICLE 14.

1. In the event of the absence of the President, or his temporary incapacity, or his permanent incapacity established as provided by section 3 of Article 12 hereof, or in the event of his death, resignation, removal from office, or failure to exercise and perform the powers and functions of his office or any of them, or at any time at which the office of President may be vacant, the powers and functions conferred on the President by this Constitution shall be exercised and performed by a Commission constituted as provided in section 2 of this Article.

2. 1° The Commission shall consist of the following persons—namely, the Chief Justice, the Chairman of Dail Eireann (An Ceann Comhairle), and the Chairman of Seanad Eireann.

2° The President of the High Court shall act as a member of the Commission in the place of the Chief Justice on any occasion on which the office of Chief Justice is vacant or on which the Chief Justice is unable to act.

3° The Deputy Chairman of Dail Eireann shall act as a member of the Commission in the place of the Chairman of Dail Eireann on any occasion on which the office of Chairman of Dail Eireann is vacant or on which the said Chairman is unable to act.

4° The Deputy Chairman of Seanad Eireann shall act as a member of the Commission in the place of the Chairman of Seanad Eireann on any occasion on which the office of Chairman of Seanad Eireann is vacant or on which the said Chairman is unable to act.

3. The Commission may act by any two of their number and may act notwithstanding a vacancy in their membership.

4. The Council of State may by a majority of its members make such provision as to them may seem meet for the exercise and performance of the powers and functions conferred on the President by this Constitution in any contingency which is not provided for by the foregoing provisions of this Article.

5. 1° The provisions of this Constitution which relate to the exercise and performance by the President of the powers and functions conferred on him by this Constitution shall, subject to the subsequent provisions of this section apply to the exercise and performance of the said powers and functions under this Article.

2° In the event of the failure of the President to exercise or perform any power or function which the President is by this Constitution required to exercise or perform within a specified time, the said power or function shall be exercised or performed under this Article, as soon as may be after the expiration of the time so specified.

THE NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

CONSTITUTION AND POWERS

ARTICLE 15.

1. 1° The National Parliament shall be called and known, and is in this Constitution generally referred to, as the Oireachtas.

2° The Oireachtas shall consist of the President and two Houses, viz., a House of Representatives to be called Dáil Eireann and a Senate to be called Seanad Eireann.

3° The Houses of the Oireachtas shall sit in or near the City of Dublin or in such other place as they may from time to time determine.

2. 1° The sole and exclusive power of making laws for the State is hereby vested in the Oireachtas; no other legislative authority has power to make laws for the State.

2° Provision may however be made by law for the creation or recognition of subordinate legislatures and for the powers and functions of these legislatures.

3. 1° The Oireachtas may provide for the establishment or recognition of functional or vocational councils representing branches of the social and economic life of the people.

2° A law establishing or recognising any such council shall determine its rights, powers and duties, and its relation to the Oireachtas and to the Government.

4. 1° The Oireachtas shall not enact any law which is in any respect repugnant to this Constitution or any provision thereof.

2° Every law enacted by the Oireachtas which is in any respect repugnant to this Constitution or to any provision thereof, shall, but to the extent only of such repugnancy, be invalid.

5. The Oireachtas shall not declare acts to be infringements of the law which were not so at the date of their commission.

6. 1° The right to raise and maintain military or armed forces is vested exclusively in the Oireachtas.

2° No military or armed force, othe than a military or armed force raised and maintained by the Oireachtas, shall be raised or maintained for any purpose whatsoever.

7. The Oireachtas shall hold at least one session every year.

8. 1° Sittings of each House of the Oireachtas shall be public.

2° In cases of special emergency, however, either House may hold a private sitting with the assent of two-thirds of the members present.

9. 1° Each House of the Oireachtas shall elect from its members its own Chairman and Deputy Chairman, and shall prescribe their powers and duties.

2° The remuneration of the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of each House shall be determined by law.

10. Each House shall make its own rules and standing orders, with power to attach penalties for their infringement, and shall have power to ensure freedom of debate, to protect its official documents and the private papers of its members, and to protect itself and its members against any person or persons interfering with, molesting or attempting to corrupt its members in the exercise of their duties.

11. 1° All questions in each House shall, save as otherwise provided by this Constitution, be determined by a majority of the votes of the members present and voting other than the Chairman or presiding member.

2° The Chairman or presiding member shall have and exercise a casting vote in the case of an equality of votes.

3° The number of members necessary to constitute a meeting of either House for the exercise of its powers shall be determined by its standing orders.

12. All official reports and publications of the Oireachtas or of either House thereof and utterances made in either House wherever published shall be privileged.

13. The members of each House of the Oireachtas shall, except in case of treason as defined in this Constitution, felony or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest in going to and returning from, and while within the precincts of, either House, and shall not, in respect of any utterance in either House, be amenable to any court or any authority other than the House itself.

14. No person may be at the same time a member of both Houses of the Oireachtas, and, if any person who is already a member of either House becomes a member of the other House, he shall forthwith be deemed to have vacated his first seat.

15. The Oireachtas may make provision by law for the payment of allowances to the members of each House thereof in respect of their duties as public representatives and for the grant to them of free travelling and such other facilities (if any) in connection with those duties as the Oireachtas may determine.

DAIL EIREANN

ARTICLE 16.

1. 1° Every citizen without distinction of sex who has reached the age of twenty-one years, and who is not placed under disability or incapacity by this Constitution or by law, shall be eligible for membership of Dáil Eireann.

2° Every citizen without distinction of sex who has reached the age of twenty-one years who is not disqualified by law and complies with the provisions of the law relating to the election of members of Dáil Eireann, shall have the right to vote at an election for members of Dáil Eireann.

3° No law shall be enacted placing any citizen under disability or incapacity for membership of Dáil Eireann on the ground of sex or disqualifying any citizen from voting at an election for members of Dáil Eireann on that ground.

4° No voter may exercise more than one vote at an election for Dáil Eireann, and the voting shall be by secret ballot.

2. 1° Dáil Eireann shall be composed of members who represent constituencies determined by law.

2° The number of members shall from time to time be fixed by law, but the total number of members of Dáil Eireann shall not be fixed at less than one member for each thirty thousand of the population, or at more than one member for each twenty thousand of the population.

3° The ratio between the number of members to be elected at any time for each constituency and the population of each constituency as ascertained at the last preceding census, shall, so far as it is practicable, be the same throughout the country.

4° The Oireachtas shall revise the constituencies at least once in every twelve years, with due regard to changes in distribution of the population, but any alterations in the constituencies shall not take effect during the life of Dail Eireann sitting when such revision is made.

5° The members shall be elected on the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.

6° No law shall be enacted whereby the number of members to be returned for any constituency shall be less than three.

3. 1° Dáil Eireann shall be summoned and dissolved as provided by section 2 of Article 13 of this Constitution.

2° A general election for members of Dáil Eireann shall take place not later than thirty days after a dissolution of Dáil Eireann.

4. 1° Polling at every general election for Dáil Eireann shall as far as practicable take place on the same day throughout the country.

2° Dáil Eireann shall meet within thirty days from that polling day.

5. The same Dáil Eireann shall not continue for a longer period than seven years from the date of its first meeting: a shorter period may be fixed by law.

6. Provision shall be made by law to enable the member of Dáil Eireann who is the Chairman immediately before a dissolution of Dáil Eireann to be deemed without any actual election to be elected a member of Dáil Eireann at the ensuing general election.

7. Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Article, elections for membership of Dáil Eireann, including the filling of casual vacancies, shall be regulated in accordance with law.

ARTICLE 17.

1. 1° As soon as possible after the presentation to Dáil Eireann under Article 28 of this Constitution of the Estimates of receipts and the Estimates of expenditure of the State for any financial year, Dáil Eireann shall consider such Estimates.

2° Save in so far as may be provided by specific enactment in each case, the legislation required to give effect to the Financial Resolutions of each year shall be enacted within that year.

2. Dáil Eireann shall not pass any vote or resolution, and no law shall be enacted, for the appropriation of revenue or other public moneys unless the purpose of the appropriation shall have been recommended to Dáil Eireann by a message from the Government signed by the Taoiseach.

SEANAD EIREANN

ARTICLE 18.

1. Seanad Eireann shall be composed of sixty members, of whom eleven shall be nominated members and forty-nine shall be elected members.

2. A person to be eligible for membership of Seanad Eireann must be eligible to become a member of Dáil Eireann.

3. The nominated members of Seanad Eireann shall be nominated by the Taoiseach with their prior consent.

4. The elected members of Seanad Eireann shall be elected as follows:—

i. Three shall be elected by the National University of Ireland.

ii. Three shall be elected by the University of Dublin.

iii. Forty-three shall be elected from panels of candidates constituted as hereinafter provided.

5. Every election of the elected members of Seanad Eireann shall be held on the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, and by secret postal ballot.

6. The members of Seanad Eireann to be elected by the Universities shall be elected on a franchise and in the manner to be provided by law.

7. 1° Before each general election of the members of Seanad Eireann to be elected from panels of candidates, five panels of candidates shall be formed in the manner provided by law containing respectively the names of persons having knowledge and practical experience of the following interests and services, namely:—

i. National Language and Culture, Literature, Art, Education and such professional interests as may be defined by law for the purpose of this panel;

ii. Agriculture and allied interests, and Fisheries;

iii. Labour, whether organised or unorganised;

iv. Industry and Commerce, including banking, finance, accountancy, engineering and architecture;

v. Public Administration and social services, including voluntary social activities.

2° Not more than eleven and, subject to the provisions of Article 19 hereof, not less than five members of Seanad Eireann shall be elected from any one panel.

8. A general election for Seanad Eireann shall take place not later than ninety days after a dissolution of Dáil Eireann, and the first meeting of Seanad Eireann after the general election shall take place on a day to be fixed by the President on the advice of the Taoiseach.

9. Every member of Seanad Eireann shall, unless he previously dies, resigns, or becomes disqualified, continue to hold office until the day before the polling day of the general election for Seanad Eireann next held after his election or nomination.

10. 1° Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Article elections of the elected members of Seanad Eireann shall be regulated by law.

2° Casual vacancies in the number of the nominated members of Seanad Eireann shall be filled by nomination by the Taoiseach with the prior consent of persons so nominated.

3° Casual vacancies in the number of the elected members of Seanad Eireann shall be filled in the manner provided by law.

ARTICLE 19.

Provision may be made by law for the direct election by any functional or vocational group or association or council of so many members of Seanad Eireann as may be fixed by such law in substitution for an equal number of the members to be elected from the corresponding panels of candidates constituted under Article 18 of this Constitution.

LEGISLATION

ARTICLE 20.

1. Every Bill initiated in and passed by Dáil Eireann shall be sent to Seanad Eireann and may, unless it be a Money Bill, be amended in Seanad Eireann and Dáil Eireann shall consider any such amendment.

2. 1° A Bill other than a Money Bill may be initiated in Seanad Eireann, and if passed by Seanad Eireann, shall be introduced in Dáil Eireann.

2° A Bill initiated in Seanad Eireann if amended in Dáil Eireann shall be considered as a Bill initiated in Dáil Eireann.

3. A Bill passed by either House and accepted by the other House shall be deemed to have been passed by both Houses.

MONEY BILLS

ARTICLE 21.

1. 1° Money Bills shall be initiated in Dáil Eireann only.

2° Every Money Bill passed by Dáil Eireann shall be sent to Seanad Eireann for its recommendations.

2. 1° Every Money Bill sent to Seanad Eireann for its recommendations shall, at the expiration of a period not longer than twenty-one days after it shall have been sent to Seanad Eireann, be returned to Dáil Eireann, which may accept or reject all or any of the recommendations of Seanad Eireann.

2° If such Money Bill is not returned by Seanad Eireann to Dáil Eireann within such twenty-one days or is returned within such twenty-one days with recommendations which Dáil Eireann does not accept, it shall be deemed to have been passed by both Houses at the expiration of the said twenty-one days.

ARTICLE 22.

1. 1° A Money Bill means a Bill which contains only provisions dealing with all or any of the following matters, namely, the imposition, repeal, remission, alteration or regulation of taxation; the imposition for the payment of debt or other financial purposes of charges on public moneys or the variation or repeal of any such charges; supply; the appropriation, receipt, custody, issue or audit of accounts of public money; the raising or guarantee of any loan or the repayment thereof; matters subordinate and incidental to these matters or any of them.

2° In this definition the expressions "taxation," "public money," and "loan," respectively do not include any taxation, money, or loan raised by local authorities or bodies for local purposes.

2. 1° The Chairman of Dáil Eireann shall certify any Bill which, in his opinion, is a Money Bill to be a Money Bill, and his certificate shall, subject to the subsequent provisions of this section, be final and conclusive.

2° Seanad Eireann, by a resolution, passed at a sitting at which not less than thirty members are present, may request the President to refer the question whether the Bill is or is not a Money Bill to a Committee of Privileges.

3° If the President after consultation with the Council of State decides to accede to the request he shall appoint a Committee of Privileges consisting of an equal number of members of Dáil Eireann and of Seanad Eireann and a Chairman who shall be a Judge of the Supreme Court: these appointments shall be made after consultation with the Council of State. In the case of an equality of votes, but not otherwise, the Chairman shall be entitled to vote.

4° The President shall refer the question to the Committee of Privileges so appointed and the Committee shall report its decision thereon to the President within twenty-one days after the day on which the Bill was sent to Seanad Eireann.

5° The decision of the Committee shall be final and conclusive.

6° If the President after consultation with the Council of State decides not to accede to the request of Seanad Eireann, or if the Committee of Privileges fails to report within the time hereinbefore specified the certificate of the Chairman of Dáil Eireann shall stand confirmed.

TIME FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

ARTICLE 23.

1. This Article applies to every bill passed by Dáil Eireann and sent to Seanad Eireann other than a money bill or a bill the time for the consideration of which by Seanad Eireann shall have been abridged under Article 24 of this Constitution.

1° Whenever a bill to which this Article applies is within the stated period defined in the next following sub-section either rejected by Seanad Eireann or passed by Seanad Eireann with amendments to which Dáil Eireann does not agree or is neither passed (with or without amendment) nor rejected by Seanad Eireann within the stated period, the bill shall, if Dáil Eireann so resolves within one hundred and eighty days after the expiration of the stated period be deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas on the day on which the resolution is passed.

2° The stated period is the period of ninety days commencing on the day on which the bill is first sent by Dáil Eireann to Seanad Eireann or any longer period agreed upon in respect of the bill by both Houses of the Oireachtas.

2. 1° The preceding section of this Article shall apply to a bill which is initiated in and passed by Seanad Eireann, amended by Dáil Eireann, and accordingly deemed to have been initiated in Dáil Eireann.

2° For the purpose of this application the stated period shall in relation to such a bill commence on the day on which the bill is first sent to Seanad Eireann after having been amended by Dáil Eireann.

ARTICLE 24.

1. If and whenever on the passage by Dáil Eireann of any Bill, other than a Bill expressed to be a Bill containing a proposal to amend the Constitution, the Taoiseach certifies by messages in writing addressed to the President and to the Chairman of each House of the Oireachtas that, in the opinion of the Government, the Bill is urgent and immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace and security, or by reason of the existence of a public emergency, whether domestic or international, the time for the consideration of such Bill by Seanad Eireann shall, if Dáil Eireann so resolves and if the President, after consultation with the Council of State, concurs, be abridged to such period as shall be specified in the resolution.

2. Where a Bill the time for the consideration of which by Seanad Eireann has been abridged under this Article is within the period specified in the resolution either rejected by Seanad Eireann or passed by Seanad Eireann with amendments or recommendations to which Dáil Eireann does not agree or is neither passed (with or without amendments or recommendations) nor rejected by Seanad Eireann within the period so specified the Bill shall be deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas at the expiration of that period.

3. When a Bill the time for the consideration of which by Seanad Eireann has been abridged under this Article becomes law it shall remain in force for a period of ninety days from the date of its enactment and no longer unless, before the expiration of that period, both Houses shall have agreed that such law shall remain in force for a longer period and the longer period so agreed upon shall have been specified in resolutions passed by both Houses.

SIGNING AND PROMULGATION OF LAWS

ARTICLE 25.

1. As soon as any Bill, other than a Bill expressed to be a Bill containing a proposal for the amendment of this Constitution, shall have been passed or deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas, the Taoiseach shall present it to the President for his signature and for promulgation by him as a law in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

2. 1° Save as otherwise provided by this Constitution, every Bill so presented to the President for his signature and for promulgation by him as a law shall be signed by the President not earlier than five and not later than seven days after the date on which the Bill shall have been presented to him.

2° At the request of the Government, with the prior concurrence of Seanad Eireann, the President may sign any Bill the subject of such request on a date which is earlier than five days after such date as aforesaid.

3. Every Bill the time for the consideration of which by Seanad Eireann shall have been abridged under Article 24 of this Constitution shall be signed by the President on the day on which such Bill is presented to him for signature and promulgation as a law.

4. 1° Every Bill signed by the President under this Constitution shall become and be law as on and from the day on which the Bill shall have been so signed.

2° Every Bill signed by the President shall come into operation on the day on which it is so signed unless the contrary intention appears.

3° Every Bill so signed shall be promulgated by the President as a law by the publication by his direction of a notice in the *Iris Oifigiúil* stating that such Bill has become law.

4° As soon as may be after the President has signed any Bill and promulgated it as a law, the signed text shall be enrolled for record in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court and such signed text shall be conclusive evidence as to the provisions of such law.

5° An official translation of every law enacted by the Oireachtas in the Irish language shall be issued in the English language and an official translation of every law enacted by the Oireachtas in the English language shall be issued in the Irish language.

REFERENCE OF BILLS TO THE SUPREME COURT

ARTICLE 26.

This Article applies to any Bill passed or deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas other than a Money Bill, or a Bill expressed to be a Bill containing a proposal to amend the Constitution, or a Bill the time for the consideration of which by Seanad Eireann shall have been abridged under Article 24 of this Constitution.

1. 1° The President may, after consultation with the Council of State, refer any Bill to which this Article applies to the Supreme Court for a decision on the question as to whether such Bill or any specified provision or provisions of such Bill is or are repugnant to this Constitution or to any provision thereof.

2° Every such reference shall be made not later than four days after the date on which such Bill shall have been passed or deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas.

3° The President shall not sign any Bill the subject of a reference to the Supreme Court under this Article pending the pronouncement of the decision of the Court.

2. 1° The Supreme Court consisting of not less than five judges shall consider every question referred to it by the President under this Article for a decision, and, having heard arguments by or on behalf of the Attorney-General and by counsel assigned by the Court, shall pronounce its decision on such question in open court as soon as may be, and in any case not later than sixty days after the date of such reference.

2° The decision of the majority of the judges of the Supreme Court shall, for the purposes of this Article, be the decision of the Court.

3. 1° In every case in which the Supreme Court decides that any provision of a Bill the subject of a reference to the Supreme Court under this Article is repugnant to this Constitution or to any provision thereof, the President shall decline to sign such Bill.

2° In every other case the President shall sign the Bill as soon as may be after the date on which the decision of the Supreme Court shall have been pronounced.

REFERENCE OF BILLS TO THE PEOPLE

ARTICLE 27.

This Article applies to any Bill, other than a Bill expressed to be a Bill containing a proposal for the amendment of this Constitution, which shall have been deemed, by virtue of Article 23 hereof, to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas.

1. A majority of the members of Seanad Eireann and not less than one-third of the members of Dail Eireann may by a joint petition addressed to the President by them under this Article request the President to decline to sign and promulgate as a law any Bill to which this Article applies, on the ground that the Bill contains a proposal of such national importance that the will of the people thereon ought to be ascertained.

2. Every such petition shall be in writing signed by the petitioners, shall contain a statement of the particular ground or grounds on which the request is based, and shall be presented to the President not later than four days after the date on which the Bill shall have been deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas.

3. Upon receipt of a petition addressed to him under this Article, the President shall forthwith consider such petition and shall, after consultation with the Council of State, pronounce his decision thereon not later than ten days after the date on which the bill to which such petition relates shall have been deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas.

4. 1° In every case in which the President decides that a Bill the subject of a petition under this Article contains a proposal of such national importance that the will of the people thereon ought to be ascertained, he shall inform the Taoiseach and the Chairman of each House of the Oireachtas accordingly in writing under his hand and Seal and shall decline to sign and promulgate such Bill as a law unless and until the proposal shall have been approved either

i. by the people at a Referendum in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of Article 47 of this Constitution within a period of eighteen months from the date of the President's decision, or

ii. by a resolution of Dail Eireann passed within the said period after a dissolution and re-assembly of Dail Eireann.

2° Every such Bill which shall have been approved either by the people or by a resolution of Dail Eireann in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this section shall as soon as may be after such approval be presented to the President for his signature and promulgation by him as a law and the President shall thereupon sign the Bill and duly promulgate it as a law.

5. In every case in which the President decides that a Bill the subject of a petition under this article does not contain a proposal of such national importance that the will of the people thereon ought to be ascertained, he shall inform the Taoiseach and the Chairman of each House of the Oireachtas accordingly in writing under his hand and Seal, and such Bill shall be signed by the President not later than eleven days after the date on which the Bill shall have been deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas and shall be duly promulgated by him as a law.

THE GOVERNMENT

ARTICLE 28.

1. The Government shall consist of not less than seven and not more than fifteen members who shall be appointed by the President in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.

2. The executive power of the State shall, subject to the provisions of this Constitution, be exercised by or on the authority of the Government.

3. 1° War shall not be declared and the State shall not participate in any war save with the assent of Dail Eireann.

2° In the case of actual invasion, however, the Government may take whatever steps they may consider necessary for the protection of the State, and Dail Eireann if not sitting shall be summoned to meet at the earliest practicable date.

3° Nothing in this Constitution shall be invoked to invalidate any law enacted by the Oireachtas which is expressed to be for the purpose of securing the public safety and the preservation of the State in time of war or armed rebellion, or to nullify any act done or purporting to be done in pursuance of any such law.

4. 1° The Government shall be responsible to Dail Eireann.

2° The Government shall meet and act as a collective authority, and shall be collectively responsible for the Departments of State administered by the members of the Government.

3° The Government shall prepare estimates of the receipts and estimates of the expenditure of the State for each financial year, and shall present them to Dail Eireann for consideration.

5. 1° The head of the Government, or Prime Minister, shall be called, and is in this Constitution referred to as, the Taoiseach.

2° The Taoiseach shall keep the President generally informed on matters of domestic and international policy.

6. 1° The Taoiseach shall nominate a member of the Government to be the Tánaiste.

2° The Tánaiste shall act for all purposes in the place of the Taoiseach if the Taoiseach should die, or become permanently incapacitated, until a new Taoiseach shall have been appointed.

3° The Tánaiste shall also act for or in the place of the Taoiseach during the temporary absence of the Taoiseach.

7. 1° The Taoiseach, the Tánaiste and the member of the Government who is in charge of the Department of Finance must be members of Dail Eireann.

2° The other members of the Government must be members of Dail Eireann or Seanad Eireann, but not more than two may be members of Seanad Eireann.

8. Every member of the Government shall have the right to attend and be heard in each House of the Oireachtas.

9. 1° The Taoiseach may resign from office at any time by placing his resignation in the hands of the President.

2° Any other member of the Government may resign from office by placing his resignation in the hands of the Taoiseach for submission to the President.

3° The President shall accept the resignation of a member of the Government, other than the Taoiseach, if so advised by the Taoiseach.

4° The Taoiseach may at any time, for reasons which to him seem sufficient, request a member of the Government to resign; should the member concerned fail to comply with the request, his appointment shall be terminated by the President if the Taoiseach so advises.

10. The Taoiseach shall resign from office upon his ceasing to retain the support of a majority in Dail Eireann unless on his advice the President dissolves Dail Eireann and on the reassembly of Dail Eireann after the dissolution the Taoiseach secures the support of a majority in Dail Eireann.

11. 1° If the Taoiseach at any time resigns from office the other members of the Government shall be deemed also to have resigned from office, but the Taoiseach and the other members of the Government shall continue to carry on their duties until their successors shall have been appointed.

2° The members of the Government in office at the date of a dissolution of Dail Eireann shall continue to hold office until their successors shall have been appointed.

12. The following matters shall be regulated in accordance with law, namely, the organisation of, and distribution of business amongst, Departments of State, the designation of members of the Government to be the Ministers in charge of the said Departments, the discharge of the functions of the office of a member of the Government during his temporary absence or incapacity, and the remuneration of the members of the Government.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

ARTICLE 29.

1. Ireland affirms its devotion to the ideal of peace and friendly co-operation amongst nations founded on international justice and morality.

2. Ireland affirms its adherence to the principle of the pacific settlement of international disputes by international arbitration or judicial determination.

3. Ireland accepts the generally recognised principles of international law as its rule of conduct in its relations with other States.

4. 1° The executive power of the State in or in connection with its external relations shall in accordance with Article 28 of this Constitution be exercised by or on the authority of the Government.

2° For the purpose of the exercise of any executive function of the State in or in connection with its external relations, the Government may to such extent and subject to such conditions, if any, as may be determined by law, avail of or adopt any organ, instrument, or method of procedure used or adopted for the like purpose by the members of any group or league of nations with which the State is or becomes associated for the purpose of international co-operation in matters of common concern.

5. 1° Every international agreement to which the State becomes a party shall be laid before Dail Eireann.

2° The State shall not be bound by any international agreement involving a charge upon public funds unless the terms of the agreement shall have been approved by Dail Eireann.

3° This section shall not apply to agreements or conventions of a technical and administrative character.

6. No international agreement shall be part of the domestic law of the State save as may be determined by the Oireachtas.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL

ARTICLE 30.

1. There shall be an Attorney-General who shall be the adviser of the Government in matters of law and legal opinion, and shall exercise and perform all such powers, functions and duties as are conferred or imposed on him by this Constitution or by law.

2. The Attorney-General shall be appointed by the President on the nomination of the Taoiseach.

3. All crimes and offences prosecuted in any court constituted under Article 34 of this Constitution other than a court of summary jurisdiction shall be prosecuted in the name of the People and at the suit of the Attorney-General or some other person authorised in accordance with law to act for that purpose.

4. The Attorney-General shall not be a member of the Government.

5. 1° The Attorney-General may at any time resign from office by placing his resignation in the hands of the Taoiseach for submission to the President.

2° The Taoiseach may, for reasons which to him seem sufficient, request the resignation of the Attorney-General.

3° In the event of failure to comply with the request, the appointment of the Attorney-General shall be terminated by the President if the Taoiseach so advises.

4° The Attorney-General shall retire from office upon the resignation of the Taoiseach, but may continue to carry on his duties until the successor to the Taoiseach shall have been appointed.

6. Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Article, the office of Attorney General, including the remuneration to be paid to the holder of the office, shall be regulated by law.

THE COUNCIL OF STATE

ARTICLE 31.

1. There shall be a Council of State to aid and counsel the President on all matters on which the President may consult the said Council in relation to the exercise and performance by him of such of his powers and functions as are by this Constitution expressed to be exercisable and performable after consultation with the Council of State, and to exercise such other functions as are conferred on the said Council by this Constitution.

2. The Council of State shall consist of the following members:

i. As ex-officio members: the Taoiseach, the Tánaiste, the Chief Justice, the President of the High Court, the Chairman of Dail Eireann, the Chairman of Seanad Eireann, and the Attorney General.

ii. Every person able and willing to act as a member of the Council of State who shall have held the office of President, or the office of Taoiseach, or the office of Chief Justice, or the office of President of the Executive Council of Saorstat E

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the best of my knowledge and power execute the office of Chief Justice (*or as the case may be*) without fear or favour, affection or ill-will towards any man, and that I will uphold the Constitution and the laws. May God direct and sustain me."

2° This declaration shall be made and subscribed by the Chief Justice in the presence of the President, and by each of the other judges of the Supreme Court, the judges of the High Court and the judges of every other Court in the presence of the Chief Justice or the senior available judge of the Supreme Court in open court.

3° The declaration shall be made and subscribed by every judge before entering upon his duties as such judge, and in any case not later than ten days after the date of his appointment or such later date as may be determined by the President.

4° Any judge who declines or neglects to make such declaration as aforesaid shall be deemed to have vacated his office.

ARTICLE 35.

1. The judges of the Supreme Court, the High Court and all other Courts established in pursuance of Article 34 hereof shall be appointed by the President.

2. All judges shall be independent in the exercise of their judicial functions and subject only to this Constitution and the law.

3. No judge shall be eligible to be a member of either House of the Oireachtas or to hold any other office or position of emolument.

4. 1° A judge of the Supreme Court or the High Court shall not be removed from office except for stated misbehaviour or incapacity, and then only upon resolutions passed by Dail Eireann and by Seanad Eireann calling for his removal.

2° The Taoiseach shall duly notify the President of any such resolutions passed by Dail Eireann and by Seanad Eireann, and shall send him a copy of every such resolution certified by the Chairman of the House of the Oireachtas by which it shall have been passed.

3° Upon receipt of such notification and of copies of such resolutions, the President shall forthwith, by an order under his hand and Seal, remove from office the judge to whom they relate.

5. The remuneration of a judge shall not be reduced during his continuance in office.

ARTICLE 36.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Constitution relating to the Courts, the following matters shall be regulated in accordance with law—that is to say:—

i. the number of judges of the Supreme Court, and of the High Court, the remuneration, age of retirement and pensions of such judges,

ii. the number of the judges of all other Courts, and their terms of appointment, and

iii. the constitution and organisation of the said Courts, the distribution of jurisdiction and business among the said Courts and judges, and all matters of procedure.

ARTICLE 37.

Nothing in this Constitution shall operate to invalidate the exercise of limited functions and powers of a judicial nature, in matters other than criminal matters, by any person or body of persons duly authorised by law to exercise such functions and powers, notwithstanding that such person or such body of persons is not a judge or a court appointed or established as such under this Constitution.

TRIAL OF OFFENCES

ARTICLE 38.

1. No person shall be tried on any criminal charge save in due course of law.

2. Minor offences may be tried by courts of summary jurisdiction.

3. 1° Special courts may be established by law for the trial of offences in cases where it may be determined in accordance with such law that the ordinary courts are inadequate to secure the effective administration of justice, and the preservation of public peace and order.

2° The constitution, powers, jurisdiction and procedure of such special courts shall be prescribed by law.

4. 1° Military tribunals may be established for the trial of offences against military law alleged to have been committed by persons while subject to military law and also to deal with a state of war or armed rebellion.

2° A member of the Defence Forces not on active service shall not be tried by any court-martial or other military tribunal for an offence cognisable by the civil courts unless such offence is within the jurisdiction of any courtmartial or other military tribunal under any law for the enforcement of military discipline.

5. Save in the case of the trial of offences under section 2, section 3 or section 4 of this Article, no person shall be tried on any criminal charge without a jury.

6. The provisions of Articles 34 and 35 of this Constitution shall not apply to any court or tribunal set up under section 3 or section 4 of this Article.

ARTICLE 39.

Treason shall consist only in levying war against the State, or assisting any State or person or inciting or conspiring with any person to levy war against the State, or attempting by force of arms or other violent means to overthrow the organs of government established by this Constitution, or taking part or being concerned in or inciting or conspiring with any person to make or to take part or be concerned in any such attempt.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

PERSONAL RIGHTS.

ARTICLE 40.

1. All citizens shall, as human persons, be held equal before the law.

This shall not be held to mean that the State shall not in its enactments have due regard to differences of capacity, physical and moral, and of social function.

2. 1° Titles of nobility shall not be conferred by the State.

2° No title of nobility or of honour may be accepted by any citizen except with the prior approval of the Government.

3. 1° The State guarantees in its laws to respect, and, as far as practicable, by its laws to defend and vindicate the personal rights of the citizen.

2° The State shall, in particular, by its laws protect as best it may from unjust attack and, in the case of injustice done, vindicate the life, person, good name, and property rights of every citizen.

4. 1° No citizen shall be deprived of his personal liberty save in accordance with law.

2° Upon complaint being made by or on behalf of any person that he is being unlawfully detained, the High Court and any and every judge thereof shall forthwith enquire into the same and may make an order requiring the person in whose custody such person shall be detained to produce the body of the person so detained before such court or judge without delay and to certify in writing as to the cause of the detention, and such Court or judge shall thereupon order the release of such person unless satisfied that he is being detained in accordance with the law.

3° Nothing in this section, however, shall be invoked to prohibit, control or interfere with any act of the Defence Forces during the existence of a state of war or armed rebellion.

5. The dwelling of every citizen is inviolable and shall not be forcibly entered save in accordance with law.

6. 1° The State guarantees liberty for the exercise of the following rights, subject to public order and morality:—

i. The right of the citizens to express freely their convictions and opinions.

The education of public opinion being, however, a matter of such grave import to the common good, the State shall endeavour to ensure that organs of public opinion, such as the radio, the press, the cinema, while preserving their rightful liberty of expression, including criticism of Government policy, shall not be used to undermine public order or morality or the authority of the State.

The publication or utterance of blasphemous, seditious, or indecent matter is an offence which shall be punishable in accordance with law.

ii. The right of the citizens to assemble peaceably and without arms.

Provision may be made by law to prevent or control meetings which are determined in accordance with law to be calculated to cause a breach of the peace or to be a danger or nuisance to the general public and to prevent or control meetings in the vicinity of either House of the Oireachtas.

iii. The right of the citizens to form associations and unions.

Laws, however, may be enacted for the regulation and control in the public interest of the exercise of the foregoing right.

2° Laws, regulating the manner in which the right of forming associations and unions and the right of free assembly may be exercised shall contain no political, religious or class discrimination.

THE FAMILY.

ARTICLE 41.

1. 1° The State recognises the Family as the natural primary and fundamental unit group of Society, and as a moral institution possessing inalienable and imprescriptible rights, antecedent and superior to all positive law.

2° The State, therefore, guarantees to protect the Family in its constitution and authority, as the necessary basis of social order and as indispensable to the welfare of the Nation and the State.

2. 1° In particular, the State recognises that by her life within the home, woman gives to the State a support without which the common good cannot be achieved.

2° The State shall, therefore, endeavour to ensure that mothers shall not be obliged by economic necessity to engage in labour to the neglect of their duties in the home.

3. 1° The State pledges itself to guard with special care the institution of Marriage, on which the Family is founded, and to protect it against attack.

2° No law shall be enacted providing for the grant of a dissolution of marriage.

3° No person whose marriage has been dissolved under the civil law of any other State but is a subsisting valid marriage under the law for the time being in force within the jurisdiction of the Government and Parliament established by this Constitution shall be capable of contracting a valid marriage within that jurisdiction during the lifetime of the other party to the marriage so dissolved.

EDUCATION.

ARTICLE 42.

1. The State acknowledges that the primary and natural educator of the child is the Family and guarantees to respect the inalienable right and duty of parents to provide, according to their means, for the religious and moral, intellectual, physical and social education of their children.

2. Parents shall be free to provide this education in their homes or in private schools or in schools recognised or established by the State.

3. 1° The State shall not oblige parents in violation of their conscience and lawful preference to send their children to schools established by the State, or to any particular type of school designated by the State.

2° The State shall, however, as guardian of the common good, require in view of actual conditions that the children receive a certain minimum education, moral, intellectual and social.

4. The State shall provide for free primary education and shall endeavour to supplement and give reasonable aid to private and corporate educational initiative, and, when the public good requires it, provide other educational facilities or institutions with due regard, however, for the rights of parents, especially in the matter of religious and moral formation.

5. In exceptional cases, where the parents for physical or moral reasons fail in their duty towards their children, the State as guardian of the common good, by appropriate means shall endeavour to supply the place of the parents, but always with due regard for the natural and imprescriptible rights of the child.

PRIVATE PROPERTY.

ARTICLE 43.

1. 1° The State acknowledges that man, in virtue of his rational being, has the natural right, antecedent to positive law to the private ownership of external goods.

2° The State accordingly guarantees to pass no law attempting to abolish the right of private ownership or the general right to transfer, bequeath, and inherit property.

2. 1° The State recognises, however, that the exercise of the rights mentioned in the foregoing provisions of this Article ought, in civil society, to be regained by the principles of social justice.

2° The State, accordingly, may as occasion requires delimit by law the exercise of the said rights with a view to reconciling their exercise with the exigencies of the common good.

RELIGION.

ARTICLE 44.

1. 1° The State acknowledges that the homage of public worship is due to Almighty God. It shall hold His Name in reverence, and shall respect and honour religion.

2° The State recognises the special position of the Holy Catholic Apostolic and Roman Church as the guardian of the Faith professed by the great majority of the citizens.

3° The State also recognises the Church of Ireland, the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Methodist Church in Ireland, the Religious Society of Friends in Ireland, as well as the Jewish Congregations and the other religious denominations existing in Ireland at the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution.

2. 1° Freedom of conscience and the free profession and practice of religion are, subject to public order and morality, guaranteed to every citizen.

2° The State guarantees not to endow any religion.

3° The State shall not impose any disabilities or make any discrimination on the ground of religious profession, belief or status.

4° Legislation providing State aid for schools shall not discriminate between schools under the management of different religious denominations, nor be such as to affect prejudicially the right of any child to attend a school receiving public money without attending religious instruction at that school.

5° Every religious denomination shall have the right to manage its own affairs, own, acquire and administer property, movable and immovable, and maintain institutions for religious or charitable purposes.

6° The property of any religious denomination or any educational institution shall not be diverted save for necessary works of public utility and on payment of compensation.

DIRECTIVE PRINCIPLES OF SOCIAL POLICY

ARTICLE 45.

The principles of social policy set forth in this Article are intended for the general guidance of the Oireachtas. The application of those principles in the making of laws shall be the care of the Oireachtas exclusively, and shall not be cognisable by any Court under any of the provisions of this Constitution.

1. The State shall strive to promote the welfare of the whole people by securing and protecting as effectively as it may a social order in which justice and charity shall inform all the institutions of the national life.

2. The State shall, in particular, direct its policy towards securing

i. That the citizens (all of whom, men and women equally, have the right to an adequate means of livelihood) may through their occupations find the means of making reasonable provision for their domestic needs.

ii. That the ownership and control of the material resources of the community may be so distributed amongst private individuals and the various classes as best to subserve the common good.

iii. That especially, the operation of free competition shall not be allowed so to develop as to result in the concentration of the ownership or control of essential commodities in a few individuals to the common detriment.

iv. That in what pertains to the control of credit the constant and predominant aim shall be the welfare of the people as a whole.

v. That there may be established on the land in economic security as many families as in the circumstances shall be practicable.

3. 1° The State shall favour and, where necessary, supplement private initiative in industry and commerce.

2° The State shall endeavour to secure that private enterprise shall be so conducted as to ensure reasonable efficiency in the production and distribution of goods and as to protect the public against unjust exploitation.

4. 1° The State pledges itself to safeguard with especial care the economic interests of the weaker sections of the community, and, where necessary, to contribute to the support of the infirm, the widow, the orphan, and the aged.

2° The State shall endeavour to ensure that the strength and health of workers, men and women, and the tender age of children shall not be abused and that citizens shall not be forced by economic necessity to enter avocations unsuited to their sex, age or strength.

AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 46.

1. Any provision of this Constitution may be amended, whether by way of variation, addition, or repeal, in the manner provided by this Article.

2. Every proposal for an amendment of this Constitution shall be initiated in Dail Eireann as a Bill, and shall upon having been passed or deemed to have been passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas, be submitted by Referendum to the decision of the people in accordance with the law for the time being in force relating to the Referendum.

3. Every such Bill shall be expressed to be "An Act to amend the Constitution."

4. A bill containing a proposal or proposals for the amendment of this Constitution shall not contain any other proposal.

5. A Bill containing a proposal for the amendment of this Constitution shall be signed by the President forthwith upon his being satisfied that the provisions of this Article have been complied with in respect thereof and that such proposal has been duly approved by the people in accordance with the provisions of section 1 of Article 47 of this Constitution and shall be duly promulgated by the President as a law.

THE REFERENDUM

ARTICLE 47.

1. Every proposal for an amendment of this Constitution which is submitted by Referendum to the decision of the people shall, for the purpose of Article 46 of this Constitution, be held to have been approved by the people, if, upon having been so submitted, a majority of the votes cast at such Referendum shall have been cast in favour of its enactment into law.

2. 1° Every Bill and every proposal, other than a proposal to amend the Constitution, which is submitted by Referendum to the decision of the people shall be held to have been vetoed by the people if a majority of the votes cast at such Referendum shall have been cast against its enactment into law and if the votes so cast against its enactment into law shall have amounted to not less than thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the voters on the register.

2° Every Bill and every proposal, other than a proposal to amend the Constitution, which is submitted by Referendum to the decision of the people shall for the purposes of Article 27 hereof, be held to have been approved by the people unless vetoed by them in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing sub-section of this section.

3. Every citizen who has the right to vote at an election for members of Dail Eireann shall have the right to vote at a Referendum.

4. Subject as aforesaid, the Referendum shall be regulated by law.

REPEAL OF CONSTITUTION OF SAORSTAT EIREANN AND CONTINUANCE OF LAWS

ARTICLE 48.

The Constitution of Saorstat Eireann in force immediately prior to the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution and the Constitution of the Irish Free State (Saorstat Eireann) Act, 1922, in so far as that Act or any provision thereof is then in force shall be and are hereby repealed as on and from that date.

ARTICLE 49.

1. All powers, functions, rights and prerogatives whatsoever exercisable in or in respect of Saorstat Eireann immediately before the 11th day of December, 1936, whether in virtue of the Constitution then in force or otherwise, by the authority in which the executive power of Saorstat Eireann was then vested are hereby declared to belong to the people.

2. It is hereby enacted that, save to the extent to which provision is made by this Constitution or may hereafter be made by law for the exercise of any such power, function, right or prerogative by any of the organs established by this Constitution, the said powers, functions, rights and prerogatives shall not be exercised or be capable of being exercised in or in respect of the State save only by or on the authority of the Government.

3. The Government shall be the successors of the Government of Saorstat Eireann as regards all property, assets, rights and liabilities.

ARTICLE 50.

1. Subject to this Constitution and to the extent to which they are not inconsistent therewith, the laws in force in Saorstat Eireann immediately prior to the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution shall continue to be of full force and effect until the same or any of them shall have been repealed or amended by enactment of the Oireachtas.

2. Laws enacted before, but expressed to come into force after, the coming into operation of this Constitution, shall, unless otherwise enacted by the Oireachtas, come into force in accordance with the terms thereof.

TRANSITORY PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 51.

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in Article 46 hereof, any of the provisions of this Constitution, except the provisions of the said Article 46 and this Article, may, subject as hereinafter provided, be amended by the Oireachtas, whether by way of variation, addition or repeal, within a period of three years after the date on which the first President shall have entered upon his office.

2. A proposal for the amendment of this Constitution under this Article shall not be enacted into law if, prior to such enactment, the President, after consultation with the Council of State, shall have signified in a message under his hand and Seal addressed to the Chairman of each of the Houses of the Oireachtas that the proposal is in his opinion a proposal to effect an amendment of such a character and importance that the will of the people thereon ought to be ascertained by Referendum before its enactment into law.

3. The foregoing provisions of this Article shall cease to have the force of law immediately upon the expiration of the period of three years referred to in section 1 hereof.

4. This Article shall be omitted from every official text of this Constitution published after the expiration of the said period.

ARTICLE 52.

1. This Article and the subsequent Articles shall be omitted from every official text of this Constitution published after the date on which the first President shall have entered upon his office.

2. Every Article of this Constitution which is hereafter omitted in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Article from the official text of this Constitution shall notwithstanding such omission continue to have the force of law.

ARTICLE 53.

1. On the coming into operation of this Constitution a general election for the Seanad Eireann shall be held in accordance with the relevant Articles of this Constitution as if a dissolution of Dail Eireann had taken place on the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution.

2. For the purposes of this Article references in the relevant provisions of this Constitution to a dissolution of Dail Eireann shall be construed as referring to the coming into operation of this Constitution, and in those provisions the expression "Dail Eireann" shall include the Chamber of Deputies (Dail Eireann) established by the Constitution hereby repealed.

3. The first assembly of Seanad Eireann shall take place not later than one hundred and eighty days after the coming into operation of this Constitution.

ARTICLE 54.

1. The Chamber of Deputies (Dail Eireann) established by the Constitution hereby repealed and existing immediately before that repeal shall, on the coming into operation of this Constitution, become and be Dail Eireann for all the purposes of this Constitution.

2. Every person who is a member of the said Chamber of Deputies (Dail Eireann) immediately before the said repeal shall, on the coming into operation of this Constitution, become and be a member of Dail Eireann as if he had been elected to be such member at an election held under this Constitution.

3. The member of the said Chamber of Deputies (Dail Eireann) who is immediately before the said repeal Ceann Comhairle shall upon the coming into operation of this Constitution become and be the Chairman of Dail Eireann.

ARTICLE 55.

1. After the coming into operation of this Constitution and until the first assembly of Seanad Eireann, the Oireachtas shall consist of one House only.

2. The House forming the Oireachtas under this Article shall be Dail Eireann.

3. Until the first President enters upon his office the Oireachtas shall be complete and capable of functioning notwithstanding that there is no President.

4. Until the first President enters upon his office, bills passed or deemed to have been passed by the House or by both Houses of the Oireachtas shall be signed and promulgated by the Commission hereinafter mentioned instead of by the President.

ARTICLE 56.

1. On the coming into operation of this Constitution, the Government in office immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall become and be the Government for the purposes of this Constitution and the members of that Government shall, without any appointment under Article 13 hereof, continue to hold their respective offices as if they had been appointed thereto under the said Article 13.

2. The members of the Government in office on the date on which the first President shall enter upon his office shall receive official appointments from the President as soon as may be after the said date.

3. The Departments of State of Saorstat Eireann shall as on and from the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution and until otherwise determined by law become and be the Departments of State.

4. On the coming into operation of this Constitution, the Civil Service of the Government of Saorstat Eireann shall become and be the Civil Service of the Government.

5. Nothing in this Constitution shall prejudice or affect the terms, conditions, remuneration or tenure of any person who was in any Governmental employment immediately prior to the coming into operation of this Constitution.

ARTICLE 57.

1. The first President shall enter upon his office not later than one hundred and eighty days after the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution.

2. After the date of the coming into operation of this Constitution and pending the entry of the first President upon his office the powers and functions of the President under this Constitution shall be exercised by a Commission consisting of the following persons, namely, the Chief Justice, the President of the High Court, and the Chairman of Dail Eireann.

3. Whenever the Commission is incomplete by reason of a vacancy in an office the holder of which is a member of the Commission, the Commission shall, during such vacancy, be completed by the substitution of the senior judge of the Supreme Court who is not already a member of the Commission in the place of the holder of such office, and likewise in the event of any member of the Commission being, on any occasion, unable to act, his place shall be taken on that occasion by the senior judge of the Supreme Court who is available and is not already a member, or acting in the place of a member, of the Commission.

4. The Commission may act by any two of their number.

5. The provisions of this Constitution which relate to the exercise and performance by the President of the powers and functions conferred on him by this Constitution shall apply to the exercise and performance of the said powers and functions by the said Commission in like manner as those provisions apply to the exercise and performance of the said powers and functions by the President.

ARTICLE 58.

1. On and after the coming into operation of this Constitution and until otherwise determined by law, the Supreme Court of Justice, the High Court of Justice, the Circuit Court of Justice and the District Court of Justice in existence immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall, subject to the provisions of this Constitution relating to the determination of questions as to the validity of any law, continue to exercise the same jurisdictions respectively as heretofore, and any judge or justice being a member of any such Court shall, subject to compliance with the subsequent provisions of this Article, continue to be a member thereof and shall hold office by the like tenure and on the like terms as theretofore unless he signifies to the Taoiseach his desire to resign.

2. Every such judge and justice who shall not have so signified his desire to resign shall make and subscribe the declaration set forth in section 5 of Article 34 of this Constitution.

3. This declaration shall be made and subscribed by the Chief Justice in the presence of the Taoiseach, and by each of the other judges of the said Supreme Court, the judges of the said High Court and the judges of the said Circuit Court in the presence of the Chief Justice in open court.

4. In the case of the justices of the said District Court the declaration shall be made and subscribed in open court.

5. Every such declaration shall be made immediately upon the coming into operation of this Constitution, or as soon as may be thereafter.

6. Any such judge or justice who declines or neglects to make such declaration in the manner aforesaid shall be deemed to have vacated his office.

ARTICLE 59.

On the coming into operation of this Constitution, the person who is the Attorney-General of Saorstat Eireann immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall, without any appointment under Article 30 of this Constitution, become and be the Attorney General as if he had been appointed to that office under the said Article 30.

ARTICLE 60.

On the coming into operation of this Constitution the person who is the Comptroller and Auditor General of Saorstat Eireann immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution, shall, without any appointment under Article 33 of this Constitution, become and be the Comptroller and Auditor General as if he had been appointed to that office under the said Article 33.

ARTICLE 61.

1. On the coming into operation of this Constitution, the Defence Forces and the Police Forces of Saorstat Eireann in existence immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall become and be respectively the Defence Forces and the Police Forces of the State.

2. 1° Every commissioned officer of the Defence Forces of Saorstat Eireann immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution shall become and be a commissioned officer of corresponding rank of the Defence Forces of the State as if he had received a commission thereto under Article 13 of this Constitution.

2° Every officer of the Defence Forces of the State at the date on which the first President enters upon his office shall receive a commission from the President as soon as may be after that date.

ARTICLE 62.

This Constitution shall come into operation i. on the day following the expiration of a period of one hundred and eighty days after its approval by the people signified by a majority of the votes cast at a plebiscite thereon held in accordance with law, or,

ii. on such earlier day after such approval as may be fixed by a resolution of Dail Eireann elected at the general election the polling for which shall have taken place on the same day as the said plebiscite.

ARTICLE 63.

A copy of this Constitution signed by the Taoiseach, the Chief Justice, and the Chairman of Dail Eireann, shall be enrolled for record in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court, and such signed copy shall be conclusive evidence of the provisions of this Constitution. In case of conflict between the Irish and the English texts, the Irish text shall prevail.

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DUBLIN'S OLDEST CHARITY

An appeal on behalf of what he described as "Dublin's oldest charity"—the Sick and Indigent Roomkeepers' Society—was made on the radio from the Dublin Studio last night by the Lord Mayor of Dublin. He stated that in March, 1790, eleven citizens met in a house in a little back street of the city and founded the Society, which since had helped countless poor people. This help is given, he said, without any discrimination other than the needs of the receiver, and in the past year 5,278 families had been helped by the Society, which had expended £3,556 in the year—an increase of £358 on the sum spent in 1936. He had, said the Lord Mayor, never appealed in vain to the Secretary of the Society, Mr. Weekes, on behalf of needy people.

NEW NORTHERN PENSIONS

FOR "BLACK-COAT WORKERS"

SPECIAL ENTRY FOR FIRST YEAR

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Sunday.

THE new scheme of old age pensions and widows' and orphans' pensions for "black-coated" workers and all persons of small incomes will come into operation on the 3rd January.

Attractive premiums are offered to those who join the scheme in the first year, whose ages have not exceeded 55. Twelve months hence no person will be able to join the scheme if over 40 years of age.

At the present time 407,000 persons are insured in Northern Ireland under the Contributory Pensions Act, and, when their dependants are taken into account, a large proportion of the population enjoys the benefit of the scheme. More than 88,000 persons have already shared in its benefits, and the sum paid in allowances of all kinds exceeds £7,722,000. In addition, over £3,882,000 has been paid to those over 70 years of age who have obtained an insurance qualification under the scheme—this sum being in addition to the ordinary old-age pensions, amounting to £9,075,000.

The new Act carries State provisions for pensions a stage further, and includes many people not engaged in regular wage-earning employment, such as farmers, shop-keepers, small contractors, tradesmen, dressmakers, private nurses, music teachers and others.

TEN YEARS' RESIDENCE

Those entitled to the benefits of the scheme must have been residents in Northern Ireland or Great Britain for ten years. Their total income must not exceed £400, or, in the case of a woman, £250.

The scheme does not apply to teachers, civil servants and others, for whom old-age or dependents' provision has already been made by statute or other means recognised as giving equally good security to that given by the present pensions scheme.

A man can insure for a widow's pension of 10s. a week, with allowances of 5s. a week for the eldest or only dependent child and 3s. a week for each other child; an orphan's pension of 7s. 6d. a week for each orphan, an old-age pension at 65 of 10s. a week, with a similar pension for his wife at the same age, and the widow's pension and the old-age pension will be continued after 70 without any means test. To secure these rights a man under 55 can obtain them all for a weekly premium of 1s. 3d., or, if he chooses to insure for widow's and orphans' pension only, for 1s. a week. A woman under 55 can insure for old-age and orphans' pensions for 6d. a week. These low premiums are made possible by an Exchequer subsidy, estimated at £875,000.

After the first year the entry premiums will increase from 1s. 3d. a week to 2s. 11d., up to forty years for a man, according to age, and from 6d. to 11d. per week for women. Hundreds of applications have already been lodged.

HEAVY FOG IN BRITAIN

MIDLANDS ONE OF THE WORST AREAS

For most parts of Great Britain Sunday's weather story could be summed up in three words, "Persistent fog continued," though there was considerable improvement over the conditions which caused a black-out on Christmas Day.

Weather was generally dull and drizzle was reported from various parts of the country, but falls were small. Sunshine reports were confined almost entirely to one or two isolated records from Scotland, the best figures returned being three hours at Aberdeen and 2.6 hours at Nairn. Dunoon had 1.5 hours. Reports from all other places made dismal reading: "Fog, dull, drizzle, rain, mist."

CANCELLED MATCHES

While many parts of Britain were hidden in dense fog on Christmas Day, visitors at Folkestone and Cromer basked in warm sunshine, and some even took a refreshing dip in the sea.

Scores of football and rugby matches were cancelled owing to the fog. Road traffic was brought to a standstill in many places, visibility being practically nil. Railway fog signalmen were called away from their Christmas dinner to work.

In North London bright sunshine was displaced in two minutes by a "pea souper." The fog was of the patchy variety, and passengers on Southern Railway trains from Streatham to the city had the curious experience of entering a tunnel in thick fog and going out into bright sunshine.

Railway companies reported that although the fog was very thick in parts delays were not great.

"I have never known anything like it in the last fifteen years," an official of the Automobile Association stated.

A number of ships were fog-bound in the English Channel and all special look-out stations along the South-East coast were used by coastguards.

ARTISTS HELD UP

A party of artists on their way to Pentonville Prison to entertain 702 prisoners were half an hour late. However, the Governor permitted the full 90 mins. programme to be given, so that the prisoners had an extra long break from routine.

Electricity and gas companies, who had anticipated extra pressure on their services for the cooking of Christmas dinners, found that there was a phenomenal demand for power for illummation.

During the football match between Chelsea and Charlton at Stamford Bridge fog enveloped the ground within twenty seconds, and the match had to be abandoned. The Midlands was one of the worst areas, and football at Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Nottingham and Northampton could not be played. The match between Leicester and Everton was played in fog at Leicester.

During the evening the Automobile Association received reports of widespread fog in Lancashire, Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, the Midlands, Suffolk, Norfolk, and parts of the Home Counties.

Motorists who telephoned the A.A. were advised not to venture out unless it was absolutely necessary. Traffic on the underground railways of the London Passenger Transport Board was exceptionally heavy during the day, many preferring this means of transit to the buses and trams.

Bus services were maintained without difficulty south of the river, but in the north, north-east and east thick fog slowed up traffic.

UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES

There were 89,879 persons registered as unemployed in the Free State on December 20, as compared with 92,569 on December 13.

THIS WEEK'S AUCTIONS OF FURNITURE AND FINE ARTS

THURSDAY

(And following days)—Knockglass House, Crossmolina (John Moran, Ballina).

To mark his retirement from T. Craig-Brown and Co., woollen yarn spinners, Yarrow Mill, Selkirk, Mr. Clive Craig-Brown, Comaly Bank, Selkirk, has presented each worker with £1 for each year of service. His gesture must have cost some thousands of pounds. His oldest employé had been with the firm for 61 years, and several had nearly half a century's service.

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Remanded. — Thomas George McNeill, Ritchie street, Belfast, was at Dungannon on Thursday returned for trial to Dungannon Quarter Sessions on a charge of bigamously marrying Margaret Purcell Balfour, of Jackson street, Coatbridge, Lanarkshire, on 16th February, 1923.

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Bellringers Congratulated. — The Rev. Michael Fox, C.SS.R., Spiritual Director, addressing the Limerick Arch-Confraternity of the Holy Family, congratulated Mount St. Alphonsus bellringers for having been awarded the Attendance Shield by the Irish Association of Change-Ringers for the current year.

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Back in Prison.—Gerald Mills, the nineteen-year-old Sligo youth who made a sensational escape from Sligo Jail, is back again in Sligo custody. On his release from Derry Prison on Tuesday, following a month's sentence for larceny in that city, he was escorted to the border. At St. Johnston (Co. Donegal) Mills was met by two detectives from Sligo Barracks, who placed him under arrest and lodged him in Sligo Jail.

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Minister Refuses Sanction.—The Minister for Local Government has refused to sanction the Engineer's estimate of £411 per house for a proposed scheme of 20 working-class houses at Loughrea, and an estimate of £442 for 12 of the better-class type. An amended estimate of £339 per house for the working-class house has been forwarded by the Town Commissioners (who have inaugurated the above schemes) to the Minister for approval.

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Conference of Teachers.—The Incorporated Association of Assistant Masters, which represents the assistant masters in public and secondary schools in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, will hold its Council meetings in Belfast for the first time at the beginning of January. Four hundred delegates, representing a membership of over 11,000, will meet to discuss educational problems. A reception will be given by the Lord Mayor (Sir Crawford McCullagh, Bart.) to the delegates in the City Hall on the 4th January.

A STRUGGLE FOR JUSTICE

ARCHBISHOP AND THE GREAT WAR

The Great War was described as "a conflict to decide whether right and some regard to law among the nations or mere force should have the greater influence in the years that should follow" by the Archbishop of York on Sunday.

He was unveiling and dedicating a stained glass window in the Parish Church of Sherburn, in Elmet, Yorkshire, "in proud memory of all Britons who died for their country in the Great War."

Although in the world in which we lived to-day, continued the Archbishop, it was not always very manifest that the principle of justice had triumphed at the expense of the principle of force, it was certainly true that if the issue of the war had been the opposite of what it was, there would have been a very clear manifestation of the triumph of force over justice. The men who fought and died were pioneers, but their work was not yet finished.

It remained with us, and those who shared our belief throughout the world, to find a way by which the cause for which these men died could be made secure and established for generations to follow.

The window has a centre panel representing St. George slaying the dragon, and on either side there are symbolic figures representing loyalty and courage.

MEDICAL AID BY WIRELESS

LIFEBOAT'S NINETY-MILE JOURNEY

A doctor waiting for a lifeboat to take him on an eighteen miles journey through terrific seas to a woman seized with illness on the remote island of Foula, in the Shetlands, on Christmas Eve, wirelessed instructions to those caring for her.

The doctor was at Walls, on the mainland, and it was realised that only the lifeboat could perform the hazardous task of landing him on the exposed coast with safety. The boat left her base at Aith in the darkness early on Christmas morning, and made a twenty-five miles journey to Walls, where the doctor was picked up. He was at his patient's bedside by 1 p.m. The lifeboat's journey from Aith to Foula and back totalled ninety miles.

BOXING

LYNCH TO FIGHT AT LIVERPOOL

A RETURN CONTEST WITH KANE?

Benny Lynch, world, European and British fly-weight champion, is to fight in the open air at Anfield Football Ground, Liverpool, on March 24—the eve of the Grand National. This was announced by Mr. Johnny Best, the Liverpool promoter, who has completed arrangements with Mr. George Dingley, the Glasgow promoter and adviser of Lynch.

The world champion's opponent has not yet been selected, but efforts are being made to sign Peter Kane to fight him at the bantam-weight limit of 8st. 6lb. The last time they met was in October in Glasgow, when Lynch knocked out Kane after a memorable fight and retained his fly-weight titles.

Mr. Best said: "We are hoping that Lynch's opponent will be Kane. I have made an offer to Mr. Denvir, Kane's manager, and he is considering it. If Kane does not accept I shall find another opponent for Lynch. The appearance of the champion on the eve of the Grand National should attract nearly 50,000 people to Anfield."

Mr. Dingley said that Lynch was willing to meet Kane again at bantam-weight limit.

LOUIS TO DEFEND TITLE IN FEBRUARY

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Joe Louis, heavy-weight champion of the world, is to defend his title against Nathan Mann, the Newhaven, Connecticut, heavy-weight, at the Madison Square Garden here in February. If Mann wins, he is to give Louis a return fight within sixty days. Mann recently scored a decisive points victory over Bob Pastor, the New York State champion, and has been spoken of as a possible opponent for Tommy Farr.

Mann says that as a youngster he used to pray to be big and strong, so that he could fight like Jack Dempsey. He is no Dempsey yet, but he has a style reminiscent of that great boxer.

MCALLISTER TO MEET DICK CORBETT

Dan McAllister, the Belfast feather-weight, is willing to accept the challenge of Dick Corbett (Bethnal Green) for a match of £200 aside. "If Corbett will deposit £200 with the British Boxing Board of Control we will cover it," said Tony Vairow, manager of McAllister.

PEIRCE BEATS BARTON

Eddie Peirce, the South African middle-weight, scored a clever points victory over Stafford Barton, of Jamaica, in a twelve rounds contest at The Ring, London, yesterday. At the opening of the bout Barton was prominent with left hooks to the head, but Peirce's superior close fighting gradually wore him down. Peirce boxed well in Round 6, scoring neatly with left jabs to the face and avoiding Barton's swinging blows. Barton made several fine efforts to land with hooks, and, despite taking punishment, fought well to the end.

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HOCKEY

GOOD HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

A CHARITY GAME AT TIVOLI TERRACE

Despite the fact that the proposed tour of the Asiatics' team from London has fallen through, there is a list of six holiday matches down for to-day, two Limerick teams and one from Waterford visiting Dublin. At Tivoli terrace, the Kingstown Grammar School ground, hockey players are assisting a charity, Mr. E. McCormack, a well-known player of a few years ago, fielding a useful scratch team against Corinthians. The latter will be practically at full strength, while McCormack's XI. will include the brothers J. and E. Gray, G. Darcus and J. S. Brewster, of Monkstown, together with a sprinkling of names from the past, so the game should prove a distinct attraction.

A couple of months ago Trinity went down to Limerick and suffered their first defeat of the season to P.Y.M.A., so the return match at Londonbridge road this afternoon should be more than usually interesting. In S. de Lacey and G. B. Swaine Limerick have one of the best right wing forward combinations in the country, the speed of the former, who is the Irish sprint champion, being well exploited by Swaine's clever passing and general support. Behind them is an excellent centre-half, H. Dove, an Irish final trial man of a couple of years back, while the evergreen W. Stockil, Walter Dick's partner in many a fine international victory, is maintaining his form remarkably well at full back.

The other Limerick team is Millbrook, formerly Athlunkard, who will be well tested by Pembroke Wanderers. The latter are fielding only two of their senior defenders, but will have almost their strongest possible forward line in action. Waterford, with some of the useful South-East XI. at their disposal, may overcome St. James's Gate, while a match of some interest will be that between Y.M.C.A. and Avoca School at Claremont road this morning. A Monkstown "A" team will entertain Ierne, of the Qualifying League, at Royal terrace.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Dublin University v. Limerick P.Y.M.A. Londonbridge road. 2.30.
Mr. McCormack's XI. v. Corinthians. Tivoli terrace. 2.30.
Pembroke Wanderers v. Millbrook (Limerick). Serpentine avenue. 2.30.
St. James's Gate v. Waterford. Crumlin.
Y.M.C.A. v. Avoca School. Claremont road. 11.0.

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AIR HEIGHT RECORD

MAURICE ARNOUX'S FEAT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ORLY, Monday.

The French air ace, Maurice Arnoux, has captured yet another record in the six and a half litres category. Going up from Orly Aerodrome, he beat the height record for 6½-litre monoplanes with approximately 7,900 metres (25,918 feet). He was flying a 140 h.p. Farman with a Renault Bengali engine.

Maurice Arnoux set up a new world record for 1,000 kilometres (621 miles) for two-seater 6½-litre 'planes on November 7th this year.

He followed this up a few days later with a new speed record over 1,000 kilometres, averaging 302.985 kilometres per hour for a 'plane of less than 6½ litres capacity. He also broke the speed record over 100 kilometres with an average of 315.789 kilometres.

Maurice Arnoux took part in the Paris-Saigon race in October, 1936, but crashed at Karachi. In November of the same year he won the Michelin Cup Race round France.

MADRID'S CHRISTMAS ON WAR DIET

RICE AND LENTILS, BUT NO PLUM PUDDING

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MADRID, Monday.

Formerly a feast of food, light and noise, Christmas this year in Madrid was hardly celebrated at all.

No turkeys paraded the streets for buyers to choose; no glaringly-lit street stalls sold turron, a sort of nougat, which is the traditional Christmas sweet; no groups of children sang carols in front of shops, hoping for a Christmas box.

British people who were looking forward to at least Christmas pudding, if no mince pies, had to be content with the comment that they would arrive in due course, timely shipments having been unavoidably delayed.

The customary family Christmas Eve dinner had to be made this year from the everlasting rice and lentils, which have been the staple food of Madrid throughout the year.

In honour of the Feast of the Nativity the municipal authorities added one egg and one tin of meat to the daily rations.

RARE DISEASE VICTIM DIES

1,500 BLOOD DONORS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WINDSOR (ONTARIO), Monday.

Despite offers from 1,500 blood donors, the fight to save the life of 28-year-old Mr. Weston Fletcher, sufferer from the dread disease, streptococcus viridens (a virulent and rare form of blood poisoning) has failed. Mr. Fletcher died to-day.

Of those who offered to give their blood to save Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Van Sickle, who contracted the disease during the War, was chosen. Until Mr. Van Sickle came forward it was thought likely that Mr. Edgar Stanford, of Dagenham, Essex, would be asked to make the 3,000-mile journey to Ontario.

CARBON MONOXIDE

"POISON FOG" DEATH

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BRUSSELS, Monday.

The theory that a "poison" fog caused the death of one Belgian workman, and rendered some twenty others unconscious, is being investigated at Couillet, near Charleroi, where the workmen were rushed to hospital on Christmas Eve.

The men were at work near a blast furnaces in a smelting works when they became surrounded by a cloud of gas.

Joseph Notte (35), a married man living at Couillet, one of the affected men, was found to be dead on admission to hospital, but the others recovered after treatment.

Carbon monoxide gas was found to have been the cause of Notte's death.

Workers state that there was a thick fog over the district when the accident occurred. It is thought possible that noxious gases which normally escape through the smoke stacks of the factory, were unable to disperse owing to the thick fog. In addition, the workmen did not notice the danger, as carbon monoxide gas has no smell.

Seven years ago about seventy people lost their lives owing to a deadly fog in the Meuse area.

ITALIAN ATTACKS ON BRITAIN

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Monday.

Attacks on Britain reappear in the Italian newspapers to-day after the two days' Christmas pause in publication.

"British soldiers ready to kill stalk through streets where Jesus walked," is the *Lavoro Fascista's* streaming headline per a despatch from Jerusalem.

"Britain talks of peace, but does everything to provoke war," says another headline on a London cable on the Far Eastern question.

The *Tevere* says: "It can never be sufficiently repeated that Italy is an immense airport stretching from the Alps to Libya, cutting the Mediterranean in two, and crowned with a powerful navy."

The newspaper insinuates that for this reason the British Government has not dared to send the naval reinforcements to the Far East which it first contemplated.

WOMAN RACING MOTORIST CHARGED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

Violette Morris, the well-known woman racing motorist, has been charged in connection with the death of a former soldier in the Foreign Legion, who, it is declared, threatened her. The incident took place in Violette Morris's house-boat on the Seine. The Legionary, it is alleged, died from a revolver shot.

USED CARS

1932 7 h.p. Austin Seven	£40
1936 8 h.p. Morris	£105
1936 8 h.p. Ford (Leather)	£85
1936 8 h.p. Ford (Leather)	£80
1936 8 h.p. Ford (Leather)	£75
1935 8 h.p. Morris (4-Door)	£120
1934 11.9 Morris Twelve	£95
1937 14 h.p. Morris (as new)	£210
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ENGLISH GIRLS AND "VILLA OF DEATH"

POLICE SEARCH FOLLOWS INVESTIGATION

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VERSAILLES, Monday.

The French police are making numerous inquiries at various addresses, particularly with reference to certain English women as a result of their inspection of the letters and documents found at the "villa of death" here, belonging to Weidmann, who has been arrested in connection with six murders.

The women in question are those who have come into contact with Weidmann and Million, his alleged accomplice. There are so many people with whom these two men have been in communication that several detective inspectors have been assigned to the task of tracing them.

Their relations with English women appear to have often resulted from advertisements in newspapers, in which Weidmann asked for girls with references with a view to engaging them as governesses, or to give English lessons.

Weidmann and Million are to be questioned shortly about the murder near Lyons at the beginning of October of a chauffeur named Drouillard. A report on the case has been sent in by the Chief of Police of Lyons.

MAN'S DEATH MYSTERY

HEAD AND NECK WOUNDS

The Chief Constable of Denbighshire (Mr. G. T. Guest) took charge of investigations yesterday into the death of William Williams (68), of Scotland street, Llanrwst, North Wales.

Williams was found at his home on Christmas Day with injuries to the head and neck. A police photographer took photos at the house, and the *post-mortem* examination has been held.

The police are preserving secrecy in their investigations.

The inquest will be opened at Llanrwst to-day.

AMERICAN GIRL'S DISAPPEARANCE

SOUGHT BY POLICE OF TWO CITIES

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, Monday.

Love for a British sailor is thought to be responsible for the disappearance of sixteen-year-old Martha Redding, of Mobile, Alabama, who is now being sought by the police of two cities.

When H.M. cruiser Orion visited Mobile last week Martha Redding went aboard on a visit. She is stated to have danced with an able seaman and to have fallen violently in love with him.

The cruiser left for New Orleans, where she is now moored. Martha thereupon vanished from home, leaving word that she was following her sailor by train.

The police of Mobile have been unable to find her, and the New Orleans force are now conducting a thorough search.

PRINCESS JULIANA'S CHRISTMAS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

AMSTERDAM, Monday.

Queen Wilhelmina, Princess Juliana, and Prince Bernhard spent Christmas together at the hospital in which Prince Bernhard is recovering from his accident. The Queen returned to The Hague this morning. All the patients in the hospital received gifts personally from the Queen.

The wards were decorated, and a large Christmas tree was placed in the central hall of the hospital, where a choir of nurses sang carols.

Queen Wilhelmina gave a lunch to the hospital staff, which she and Princess Juliana attended.

Prince Bernhard's condition continues to be satisfactory, and it is hoped to move him to the Royal Palace at Soestdyk before the new year.

RUMANIAN GOVERNMENT RESIGNING

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BUCHAREST, Monday.

The Rumanian Government, it is understood, is resigning as a result of the failure of M. Tatarescu and his supporters to poll the requisite number of votes at the recent general elections. King Carol has interrupted his Christmas holidays in the Carpathian Mountains, and has come back to Bucharest, where he is conferring with political leaders.

A special train was ordered to bring King Carol back to the capital, where he arrived to-day. His first act was to receive M. Octavian Goga, leader of the National Christian Party, which is ultra-Nationalistic, anti-Semetic, and has the Swastika as its badge. This group had eighteen seats in the last Parliament.

It is thought that King Carol asked M. Goga for the support of his party for the National-Liberal Coalition.

Even if M. Goga were to accede to this request, the Coalition would still fail to command a majority, and it would be necessary to call on other smaller political groups.

Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house. Those who use them recommend them; hence their enormous sale. Price 5s. Sold by all Chemists and Stores, or post free from proprietors, Martin, Chemist, Southampton. —(Advt.)

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1934 9 H.P. Wolseley 4-Door Saloon de Luxe, leather upholstery and sliding roof, engine completely overhauled, and whole car in very fresh condition; one owner; £130.—Hunt Motors, Ltd., Lower Mount street, Dublin. 23 B

1935 FORD 10 h.p. Saloon, leather upholstery and sliding roof, good tyres, engine rebored, and car in good condition; £95.—Hunt Motors, Ltd., Lower Mount street, Dublin. 23 B

MOTOR CARS CONTINUED

1936 FORD De Luxe 10 h.p. Fordor, sliding roof, leather upholstery, engine reconditioned; taxed December 31.—Wallen, Trinity Street Garage. T

1937 STANDARD 12 h.p., 7,000 miles (owner going abroad), £290 cash, or £150 deposit; balance monthly, to solvent purchaser.—D 1376, this office. 22 B

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CHEVROLET 30 cwt. Motor Lorry, P.M.O.; also extra Body; £40; no offers. Apply D 1349, this office. 23 O

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BOXING DAY "SCRAMBLE"

"Charlie" Manders, finding the going heavy, in yesterday's Dublin and District Motor Cycling Club's Boxing Day "scramble," which started from the Slade, Crooksling.

WHIPSNADE "ZOO'S" LATEST ARRIVAL

"BABY" GIRAFFE FIVE FEET IN HEIGHT

A "baby" five feet and two inches in height was born at Whipsnade Zoo (Beds.) yesterday.

The father and mother are Peter and Rosia, a pair of Birango giraffes from Kenya Colony, which arrived at Whipsnade three years ago.

Their offspring, who is believed to be a female, is the first giraffe to be born either at the London Zoo or Whipsnade since 1914. The new arrival is already able to stand and frolic round its mother.

Rosie and her baby are in a special partition in the giraffe house, but Peter is able to reach his long neck over the side, and he is taking a great interest in the newcomer. Both mother and baby are doing well.

Giraffes do not usually breed readily in captivity.

Noel, the baby born to Sally, the chimpanzee, in the London Zoo on Christmas Day, and the other baby chimpanzee, Jacqueline (daughter of Fifi), which was born last month, were stated yesterday to be doing very well. Sally, it is stated, is proving an excellent mother.

THREE DEAD IN AIR LINER CRASH

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VIENNA, Monday.

The Air France liner Famyd crashed on Christmas Eve while flying from Vienna to Prague. All on board—the pilot, wireless operator and one passenger—were killed.

The pilot appears to have reached Prague, and then for some reason turned aside instead of making for the air port. The spot in the Bohemian forest where the crash occurred is far off the 'plane's route.

NINE NATIVES KILLED BY LIGHTNING

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

JOHANNESBURG, Monday.

Nine natives were killed by lightning on Christmas Night at a farm near Carolina. One of ten natives sitting in a hut decided to go out. As he stooped at the doorway a flash of lightning struck the hut and knocked him into the open. He was the only one left alive, the remaining nine being instantly killed by the lightning. The hut caught fire and the bodies were burnt.

WELL-KNOWN WELSH SINGER DEAD

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Monday.

Dan Beddoe, probably the most widely-known oratorio singer of his day, died here to-day, aged seventy-four.

Beddoe, who was born in Wales, had sung with every major orchestra choral society in Great Britain and the United States.

He sang before Royalty on numerous occasions.

'BUS AND TRAMCAR COLLIDE

NINE PERSONS INJURED

Nine people were injured when a motor 'bus was in collision with a tramcar at Fritzinghall, Bradford, on Sunday night.

Several passengers were cut by flying glass from the 'bus windows. One of three people who were detained in Bradford Royal Infirmary was the 'bus driver, Frank W. Bradley (37), of Yeadon, Yorks, who suffered from concussion. The others were treated for shock and minor injuries.

LIVERPOOL MEAT IMPORTS

Greatly increased imports of meat arrived in Liverpool during the past week from the various North and South American and Colonial ports. The eight ships and their freights were:—The Navasota, from River Plate, with 86,131 sheep and lamb carcases, 2,434 cases of pork, 2,602 bags of meat, and 32,428 quarters of beef; the Mahana, from New Zealand, with 26,007 sheep and lamb carcases, 2,328 cases, etc., of pork, 697 sides of veal, 1,289 cases of meat, and 5,076 quarters of beef; the Australian Star, from New Zealand, with 15,956 sheep and lamb carcases, 227 carcases of pork, 1,378 boxes of veal, and 3,744 quarters of beef; the Duchess of Bedford, from St. John, with 1,019 cases of pork and 588 bags of meat; the Ceramic, from Australia, with 6,821 sheep and lamb carcases, 77 cases of pork and 192 bags of meat; the Piako, from Australia, with 7,223 sheep and lamb carcases, 473 carcases of pork, 1,116 boxes of veal, 598 bags of meat and 295 quarters of beef; the Corinaldo, from River Plate, with 66,017 sheep and lamb carcases, 1,258 cases of pork, 25,365 bags of meat and 50,783 quarters of beef; and the Hertford, from New Zealand, with 2,932 sheep and lamb carcases, 1,392 cases, etc., of pork, 3,343 sides of veal, 5,418 boxes of meat and 3,959 quarters of beef—making a total of 211,087 sheep and lamb carcases, 9,208 boxes, etc., of pork, 6,534 boxes, etc., of veal, 36,052 bags of meat and 96,285 quarters of beef.

Compared with the imports of the previous week, these figures show an increase of 171,040 sheep and lamb carcases, 4,715 carcases, etc., of pork, 6,534 boxes of veal, 21,718 bags of meat, and 65,809 quarters of beef.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS

Smiths Dock Co.—Dividend on the Ordinary Shares 7 per cent., less tax, for the 12 months. Last year dividends were resumed, after a lapse of five years, with a payment of 3 per cent., less tax. A further dividend for nine months to end of September on the £200,000 5 per cent. Cumulative Preference capital is also announced, and will be paid at the end of the year. Including this distribution, the Preference shareholders have received dividends for a period of 15 months out of profits for 1936-37.

Denfield Ramsden and Sons.—Interim dividend 3½ per cent., less tax (same).

BIRMINGHAM MOTOR SHARE MARKET

Friday's closing quotations:—Albion Drop Forgings 10/7½, Albion Motor 50/-, Alvis 4/-, Austin Ord. 31/-, do. A Ord. 27/6, do. 6 p.c. 1st Pref. 27/4½, Do. Prefd. 20 p.c. 27/6; Birmid Industries 34/6 x.r., Birmingham Small Arms 23/-, Bluemel Bros. 35/6, Bretts Stamping 43/-, British Piston Ring 22/-, Brocklehouse (J.) 69/-, Brown Bros. 52/6, Clifford Components 3/6, Cornercroft 7/4½, Crossley Motors 5/1½, Dennis Bros. 20/9, Dartford Stamping 17/-, Enfield Cycle 24/6, Fisher and Ludlow 39/6, Fodens 21/4½, Ford Motors Prefd. 15/6; Napier 9/6, New Hudson 41/9, Perfecta Motor Equipments 8/-, Perry and Co. 33/-, Pressed Steel 17/7½, Raleigh 62/6, Renold and Cov. Chain 45/9, Riley (Coventry) 13/9, Rolls Royce 90/-, Rovers 19/10½, S.S. Cars 10/3, Serck Radiators 75/-; Singer Motor 4/3½, do. 7 p.c. Pref. (8/-) 8/-; Smethwick Drop Forgings 19/10½, Smith (S.) and Sons Defd. 9/3, Smith's Stamping 35/-; Standard Motor (5/-) 15/6, do. New (issued at 10/6) 2/9 pm.; Sun Cycle 5/4½, Super Oil Seals 19/4½, Triplex Glass 51/9, Tilling (T.) 50/6, Triumph 7/4½, Vaughan Bros. (Dorg Forgings) 12/-, Tube Investments 82/9, Villiers Engineering 31/9, Wellworthy Piston Ring 10/7½, Willenhall Radiator (5/-) 16/9, Dunlop Rubber 32/9, Leyland Rubber 28/-.

Aircraft—Boulton Paul 3/9, Bristol 48/6, De Havilland 38/-, Fairey 16/7½, Hawker-Siddeley 26/3, Parnall 7/6.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT

MONDAY.

Barometer at 1 p.m.—30.50.

Wind and Weather—Easterly wind; light breeze; dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrival—Holme Force, from Antwerp, with general cargo.

Coastwise Arrivals—Lady Patricia, from London, with goods; Torstre and Inver, from Goole, with coal; Greyfriars, from Blyth, with coal; Elmfield, from Garston, with coal; Sybil-Mary, from Bangor (Wales), with slates; Craigolive, from Belfast, light.

CATTLE.

HERKLANDS.—One hundred and sixty fat Irish bullocks and seven bulls for sale. Good quality generally; fair attendance; good demand. Top quality bullocks realised 44/6; most prices fractionally better; others from 39/6. Bulls averaged around 33/3 per live-weight. Arrivals—Dublin 161, Derry 51. Only two boats.

Six hundred pounds of illicit raw opium, the largest haul ever made in Austria, have been seized by the police at a Vienna railway station, where it lay hidden in sacks in a waggon from a Balkan country. An arrest has been made.

THE AMERICAN MARKETS

BUDGET BALANCING WARNINGS

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, Monday.

An address by the Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. Robert H. Jackson, denouncing profiteering by monopoly and blaming "big business" itself for the economic recession, tended to create caution in Wall street to-day. Moreover, warnings from Washington that the Budget will be difficult to balance, owing to falling revenues due to the setback in business, chilled hopes in connection with tax revisions. Sales totalled 1,360,000 shares.

The opening was irregular. With feeble rallies quickly evaporating, the market turned heavy under profit-taking and selling for tax purposes, which resulted in losses ranging to 2 points over a broad front. The Chemical and Industrial issues in particular were subjected to pressure, and 1 point losses were numerous.

The market showed no signs of recuperative power in the afternoon, and prices slowly retreated, with the recently strong Armament issues—such as Steels and Aircrafts—weakening as Japanese Bonds shot up after the apparent settlement of the Panay incident. The Rails lost anything to 2 points, the Steels, Chemicals and Farm Implements up to 3, while losses ranging to 4 points appeared in the Industrial section. The Steel group was subjected to pressure, following the American Iron and Steel Institute's estimate of production at only 19.2 per cent. Moreover, the magazine "Steel" expects only a conservative improvement in buying early in the new year. Activity was not great, but with buyers holding off and with pressure generally persistent, the market finished weak around the day's low levels, with losses ranging from 1 to 4 points.

Call money remained at 1 per cent., and the outside rate was unaltered at 1 per cent. Prime paper was quoted at 1 per cent. Open market discount rates were unchanged at ¼ to ⅜ per cent. for ninety-day Bank bills and ⅜ to ½ per cent. for six-month bills. Sterling exchange opened ¼ up at 4.99⅜, and remained at this level during the morning. The rate dropped to 4.99⅛ in the afternoon, and finally closed 1/32 higher, compared with the previous close, at 4.99⅛.

Silver was unchanged at 44⅜.

	Mon	Fri
Call Money	Steady	Steady
London Cables	4.99⅛	4.99⅛
London 60 days' sight	4.99⅛	4.99⅛
London Bankers' do.	4.99⅛	4.99⅛
London Com. do.	4.99⅛	4.99⅛
Montreal Cables	5.00⅛	5.00⅛
Paris Cables	3.39⅛	3.39⅛

Parity	Stocks	Closing Bid Mon	Fri
36	Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe	36	38⅜
24 1/6	Do. Preferred	24¼	25¼
10 3/8	Baltimore and Ohio	10¾	11⅜
7 5/8	Canadian Pacific	7⅝	7¾
—	Illinois Central	—	—
51 1/2	Louisville and Nashville	51⅜	54¼
17 5/8	New York Central & Hudson R.	17⅝	18⅝
190 5/8	Norfolk and West Com.	190¼	192½
21 5/8	Pennsylvania Shares	21⅜	22⅛
18 1/2	Reading Shares	18½	19⅜
19 1/2	Southern Pacific	19¼	21
12 1/2	Southern Railway	12½	13⅜
84 11/16	Union Pacific	84	86
82 5/16	Do. Preferred	82	81½
	INDUSTRIALS.		
163 1/16	Allied Chemical	163	—
19 1/2	American Loco.	19½	—
72	American Can.	72	74
46 1/4	American Smelting	46⅛	49¼
12 5/8	American Radiator	12⅝	—
145 5/16	American Tel. and Tel.	145½	—
60 1/2	American Tobacco B	60½	—
30	Anaconda Copper	30	—
3 1/2	Auburn Auto	3½	3½
58 1/2	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	58⅛	62⅛
87 5/16	Case (J. I.)	87⅜	—
50	Chrysler Corporation	50⅜	53
22 3/4	Consol. Edison Co. (New York)	22⅝	23⅝
163 1/16	Eastman Kodak	163½	165½
42 5/8	General Electric	42⅝	44
31	General Motors	31	32
44 5/8	International Nickel	44⅝	46¼
6	Do. Telephone & Telegraph	6	6½
36 5/8	Kennecott Copper	36⅝	—
27	Macy (R. H.)	27	—
19 1/4	McKeesport Tinplate	19¼	—
6 1/2	McKesson and Robbins	6½	—
32 1/4	Montgomery Ward	32¼	—
4 3/8	Packard Motors	4⅜	4¼
—	People's Gas	—	—
6 1/8	Radio Corporation	6⅛	6¼
17 3/8	Shell Union Oil	17⅜	17¾
5	Studebaker	5	—
10 1/2	Timken Detroit Axle	10½	11½
23 1/2	U.S. Rubber	23½	25⅛
56 5/8	United States Steel Common	56⅝	59⅛
107 5/8	Do. Preferred	107⅝	107⅞
—	Warner Bros. Pictures	—	—
25 3/4	Westinghouse Air B	25¾	—
35 5/8	Woolworth Company	35⅝	36
—	Silver Commercial Bars	44¾	44¾
11 1/2	Brazilian Traction	11½	12¾
26 3/8	Brit. American Tobacco Coupon	26⅜	26¼
5	Hydro. Electric	5	5
—	Technicolour Incorporated	—	—
	BONDS.		
—	U.S. Treasury 3¼% Bds., '46-56	—	—
30 1/4	7% German External Loan	30¼	31

DOW JONES AVERAGES

	20 Rails.	30 Indus.	20 Util.
27th December	30.49	123.45	20.56.
Last year	52.58	178.60	34.65

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Eng. Equiv.		Closing Bid Mon	Fri
164 5/8	Bell Telephone Co. of Canada	164⅛	165½
12 1/2	Brazilian T.L. and P. Co.	12½	12¾
35 5/16	British Columbia Power "A"	35¼	35
5	Do. "B"	5	5
9 3/4	Can. Car and Foundry Co.	9¾	9¾
18 1/4	Do. Preferred	18½	20½
16	Canadian Celanese Com.	16	16¼
99 7/8	Do. do. Pref.	100	100
10	Canada Cement Co.	10	10
90	Do. Preferred	90	90
4 3/4	Can. Indus. Alcohol Com.	4¾	4¾
3 3/4	Do. "B"	3¾	3¾
7 3/4	Canadian Pacific Railway	7¾	7⅞
8 3/4	Cockshutt Plow Co.	8¾	8¾
80 1/2	Con. Mining and Smelting	80½	80½
29 3/4	Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd.	29¾	29¾
71 15/16	Dominion Textiles Co.	72	72
12 3/4	Hollinger Cons. Gold Mines	12¾	13¼
17 1/4	Imperial Oil, Ltd.	17⅜	17⅝
44 1/16	Inter. Nickel of Canada	44⅛	46¼
28 5/8	International Petroleum	28⅝	28⅞
6 3/4	Massey Harris Co.	6¾	6¾
29	Montreal Light, Heat	29	29¾
30 1/16	Do. Debs.	30¼	30¼
38 5/8	National Breweries, Ltd.	38¼	38
31 5/16	National Steel Car Corp.	32	33½
220	Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Ltd.	220	222
14 1/2	Power Corporation of Canada	14¼	16
16	Quebec Power Corporation	16	16
20	Shawinigan Water	20	21
13 1/4	Southern Canada Power	13¼	13¼
67 3/8	Steel Co. of Canada	68	68
190 1/16	Bank Montreal	190	191
294 1/16	Bank Nova Scotia	295	298
167 1/16	Can. Bank Commerce	168	168
183 1/16	Royal Bank of Canada	184	—
	INDUSTRIALS.		
13 5/8	Distillers Corp. Seagrams, Ltd.	13⅝	14
42 1/2	Hiram Walker Gooderham	42½	41½
13 1/4	Imperial Tobacco Co. of Canada	13¼	13⅜
52 1/16	Lake Shore Mines, Ltd.	52⅛	52¼
40 1/2	McIntyre Porcupine Mines	40½	39½
54 1/16	Noranda Mines, Ltd.	54⅛	55½

*Asked; †Ex div.; ‡Ex interest; ‖Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

Wheat—Winters steady, 1c. to 1¼c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern Manitoba spot f.o.b. West St. John's	—	157¾
No. 1 Manitoba spot	—	157¾
No. 2 hard winter spot	117	116½
No. 2 red winter spot	109¼	109

Maize firm, 2½c. higher. Western No. 2 mixed spot, 76⅞.

Oats steady at ⅝c. advance. No. 2 white (per 36lb.) c.i.f. New York, 45¾.

Rye steady at 1c. rise. No. 2 spot f.o.b. New York American, 93¼.

Barley firm, 2¼c. up. No. 2 New York, all growths Federal inspected, 78¼.

Flour steady. Spring clears 5 points up; others unchanged. Spring clears were quoted at 5.70 to 5.80, Kansas Straights 5.55, Minneapolis patents 5.75, bakers' clears 5.70, while rye flour closed at 4.95 to 5.10—all per 196lb.

Lard barely steady at 10 points loss. Prime Western steam loose spot, 8.22½; Middle West, 8.55 to 8.63.

Petroleum steady and unchanged.

Tallow steady. Spot extra loose, 5¾; spot special extra, 6¼; spot in tierces, 6¼. Futures steady. Jan. 6.00 bid, 6.30 offered; March 6.10 bid, 6.25 offered; May 6.05 bid, 6.30 offered.

Cottonseed Oil—Futures closed barely steady, 3 to 5 points down. Contract basis bleachable prime summer yellow grade—Closing options—Jan 7.17, March 7.16, May 7.19, July 7.23.

Sheilac—N.Y. 12¾.

Turpentine—Spot, 31; Savannah spot, 26.

Straits Tin steady and unchanged. Closing options—Dec. 42.00 (42.00), March 42.00 (42.00), May 42.00 (42.00), July 42.00 (42.00).

American Standard Copper steady, 4 points down. Closing options — Dec. 9.16 (9.20), Jan. 9.16 to 9.24 (9.20 to 9.25), March 9.16 to 9.24 (9.20 to 9.25), May 9.16 to 9.24 (9.20 to 9.25), July 9.16 to 9.24 (9.20 to 9.25).

Coffee on spot closed quiet. Rio No. 7, 6¼ (nominal); Santos No. 4, 8½ (nominal). Futures opened steady, with Rio 2 points down in the March option and Santos 4 points higher to 1 point lower. Prices advanced on trade and Brazilian buying and covering, coupled with the steadier Brazilian exchange, higher cost and freight offerings, and improved Havre cables. The close was steady, with Rio 6 to 8 points up and Santos 6 points to 1 point higher. Futures basis Rio No. 7—Closing options—March 4.50 (4.44), May 4.34 (4.32), July 4.25 (4.23), September 4.26 (4.25), December 4.28 (4.27).

Cocoa—Spot, 5⅝. Futures closed steady, 2 points down to 3 points up. Closing options—Jan. 5.13 (5.15), March 5.37 (5.37), May 5.53 (5.53), July 5.41 (5.40), Sept. 5.50 (5.48), Oct. 5.53 (5.53).

Sugar on spot closed steady and unchanged at 3.20. In futures buying and covering in the new contract absorbed selling by local interests and commission houses, but business was restricted by the holiday in London. Finally liquidation and hedge selling appeared. The old contract advanced on a little trade, commission house and operator buying, owing to light offerings and the steady spot market. Hedge selling later caused a reaction. The close was quiet, with prices unchanged to 1 point lower.

Cotton on spot closed steady, but 1 point down at 8.42. Futures opened quiet, with prices unchanged to 3 points up. A dull holiday market was seen. Prices advanced slightly on moderate buying by the trade and on an absence of contracts with hedging very light. Forty-five January "notices" were served, stopped by a leading spot house. Business was curtailed by the holiday in Liverpool, and traders generally were marking time awaiting new incentive. Prices finally eased, partially in sympathy with the Stock market. Demand for spot was slow and fertilee were dull. The close was steady at 1 point higher to 2 points lower. At New Orleans spot closed 3 points down at 8.53. Futures opened at 1 point to 2 points down, and closed 4 points to 1 point lower.

Butter easier, 1½c. down. Creamery 92-score, per pound, 35½.

Lumber futures (No. 1 contract)—Tendency barely steady, 16 to 13 points down. Day's sales, 73 lots. Closing options—December 14.95 (15.12), January 14.96 (15.12), March 15.17 (15.30), May 15.26 (15.41), July 15.36 (15.51), September 15.46 (15.61), October 15.51 (15.66). Outside prices—Tendency dull. First latex thin crepe spot 15½ (nominal); smoked ribbed sheets spot 14½ buyers, 15 sellers; ditto January-February-March 15 buyers; ditto April-May-June 15½ buyers; 15¾ sellers.

(Previous prices in parentheses.)

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS

Kansas City.—Wheat steady. Spot ½c. and futures ½c. to ¾c. up. No. 2 hard winter spot 100. Closing options—December 92¼, May 89⅜.

Minneapolis.—Wheat steady, ½c. up for spot and futures. No. 1 Northern spring spot 107½. Closing options—December 101, May 100¾.

WINNIPEG GRAINS

The Winnipeg grain market has been closed to-day.

ARGENTINE GRAINS

Rosario.—Wheat very steady, 25 to 27 points up. Maize firm; February 54 points higher. Linseed very steady, 26 to 30 points up.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Wheat steady, with prices unchanged to ⅛c. down, and closed steady at ⅜c. to 1⅜c. higher. No. 2 hard winter spot 95¾. Opening options—Dec. 95¼ (95⅛), May 92 (91⅝), July 86 (85⅛). Closing options—Dec. 96 to 95⅞ (95½ to 95⅜), May 92⅝ to 93½ (92⅛ to 92¼), July 86½ (86). Maize opened steady, with values unchanged to ⅛c. up, and closed firm at 2⅛c. to 1⅜c. rise. Opening options—Dec. 59 (58⅝), May 60¼ (59⅝), July 60⅛. Closing options—Dec. 61⅛ (59), May 61⅞ (60⅜), July 61⅛ (60). Oats closed steady at 1⅛c. to 1⅜c. up. Closing options—Dec. 32⅜ (32⅛), May 30⅞ (30⅜), July 29⅜ (29⅛).

Rye closed steady at 1⅛c. to 3⅛c. advance. Closing options—Dec. 69¼ (69), May 70¾ (70⅛), July 67¼ (66⅞).

Barley nominal.

Lard opened barely steady. Prices were depressed by the lower hog market and the increased hog movement. The market closed easy, with futures 12½c to